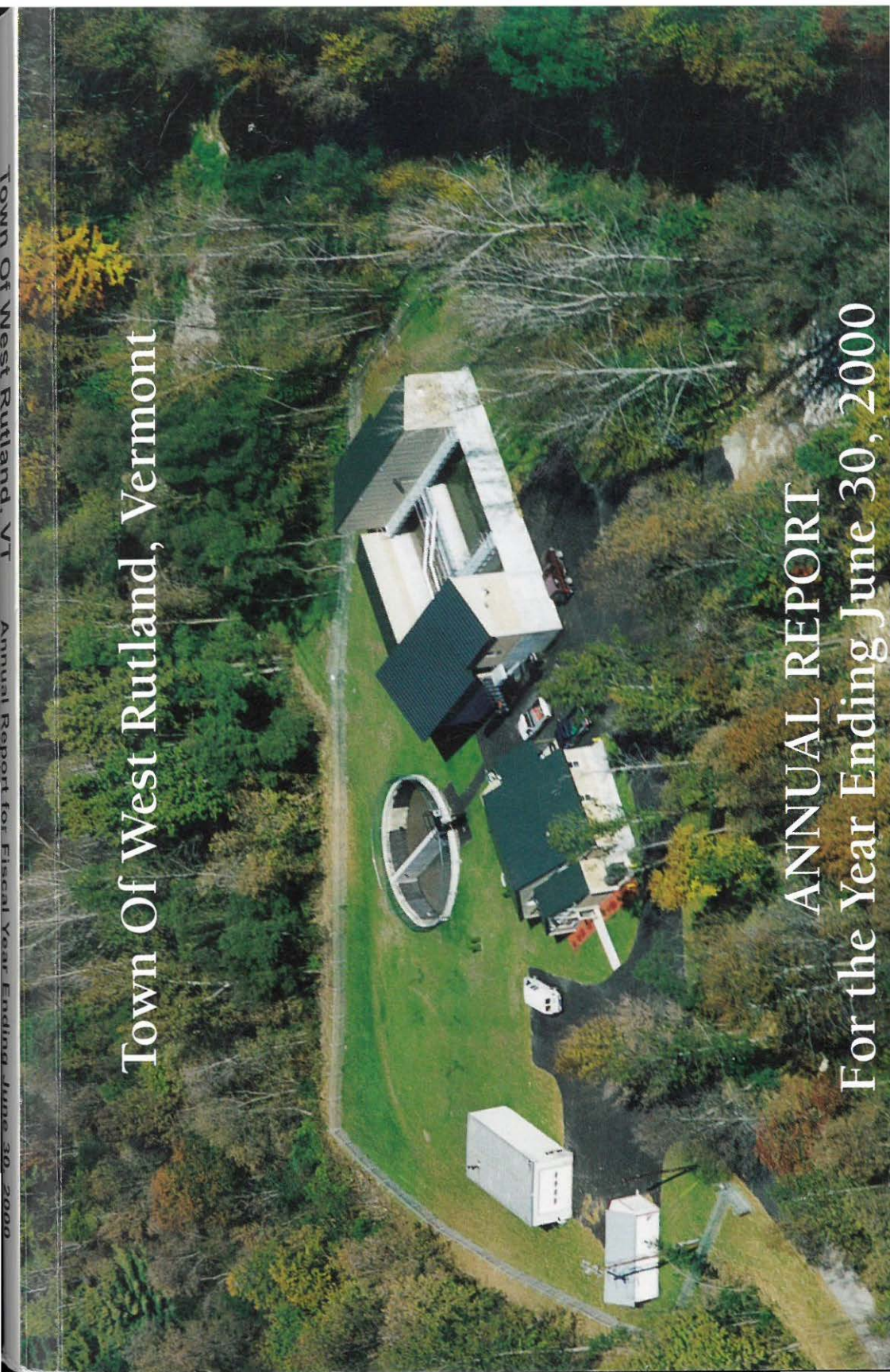


Town Of West Rutland, Vermont

ANNUAL REPORT
For the Year Ending June 30, 2000



On the Cover

Aerial photo of the new West Rutland Wastewater Treatment Facility.

In August of 2000, the Town completed its wastewater project after years of planning, engineering and construction efforts. Planning for the upgrade began in 1995 and construction began in the Spring of 1999. The new treatment plant utilizes Sequential Batch Reactor technology, which treats influent without chemicals. Other improvements include: upgrading all seven pump stations; use of ultraviolet light for disinfection; and, raising the treatment plant floor elevation to above the 500 year flood level. The \$3.3 million project was completed within budget and is performing well. While 80% of the community are users of the new treatment plant, the economics and environment of the Town will benefit from the new system well into the new century.

Treatment Plant Designer: Forcier, Aldrich & Associates
Contractor: Charwill Construction



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Town of West Rutland School District WARNING

The legal voters of the Town of West Rutland School District are hereby warned to meet at the Multi-Purpose room of the High School in said Town on Monday, March 5, 2001 at 7:00 P.M. to discuss the following matters to wit:

1. To hear and act upon the reports of the Town of West Rutland School District.
2. To hear and discuss the proposed School District Budget. All citizens are invited to attend and provide the School Board with comments and ask questions concerning the proposed school budget.
3. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.


At the close of business, the meeting shall be recessed by the Moderator until Tuesday, March 6, 2001 from 10:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. at the American Legion, 333 Pleasant Street (Upper Entrance), West Rutland, to vote by Australian Ballot on the following matters to wit:

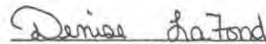
1. Shall the Town School District appropriate the sum of Three million, eight hundred eighty thousand, nine hundred twenty-nine (\$3,880,929) necessary for the support of its school for the year beginning July 1, 2001?
2. To elect all School District Officials as required by law.

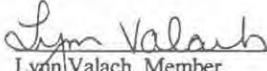
West Rutland, Vermont

BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS


Kim Conway, Chairperson


Carl Serrani, Clerk


Denise LaFond, Vice Chairperson


Lynn Valach, Member

John McGann, Member

Date: January 15, 2001

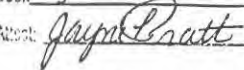
WEST RUTLAND TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE RECEIVED FOR RECORD

16th day of January A.D., 2001

At 1 O'Clock 52 Minutes P.M.

And Recorded in Town Meeting & Misc.

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Attest:  Town Clerk

TOWN OF WEST RUTLAND, VERMONT

WARNING

The legal voters of the Town of West Rutland, Vermont are hereby warned and notified to meet at the multi-purpose room of the West Rutland High School on Monday, March 5th, 2001 at 7:00 PM for an informational hearing and to act on Articles 1, 2 & 3. And to meet on Tuesday, March 6th, 2001 at 10:00 AM at the American Legion Hall, 817 Pleasant Street, to vote by Australian Ballot on Articles 4-19. Polls to close at 7:00 PM.

- Article #1 To act on the reports of the Town Officers.
- Article #2 To discuss the proposed Selectboard's Budget for the expenses of the Town and Town Highway Department.
- Article #3 To transact any other legal and proper business, not involving Town funds or any other articles on this warning.

THE FOLLOWING ARTICLES TO BE VOTED ON BY AUSTRALIAN BALLOT

- Article #4 To elect by Australian Ballot all necessary Town Officers: Town Moderator, Selectperson 3 Years (1), Selectpersons 1 Year (2), Listers (1), Grand Juror, Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, and Town Law Agent.
- Article #5 Shall the Town vote to approve the Selectboard's Budget for Fiscal Year 2002 covering July 1, 2001 to June 30, 2002 in the amount of \$ 652,521 to be raised by taxes?
- Article #6 Shall the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$65,000 for continuing repaving and sidewalk improvements?
- Article #7 Shall the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to West Rutland Development Corporation, Inc. for marketing and permitting of the Industrial Park?
- Article #8 Shall the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$15,000 to support American with Disabilities Act accessibility improvements at the Town Hall?
- Article #9 Shall the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$400 to support the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP)?
- Article #10 Shall the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$4,800 to support the Rutland Area Visiting Nurse Association and Hospice in Fiscal Year 2002? (\$300 to support Rutland Area Hospice and \$4500 to support RAVNAH Home & Community Health Services)

- Article #11 Shall the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$11,628 (\$4.75 per capita) to maintain the services of the Rutland Regional Ambulance?
- Article #12 Shall the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$3,304 for the support of Rutland Area Community Services (formerly Rutland Mental Health Services, Inc.) so that these services can be maintained?
- Article #13 Shall the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$500 to the Rutland Economic Development Corporation (REDC) for the purposes of development promotion?
- Article #14 Shall the town of West Rutland appropriate the sum of \$ 1,200 to Rutland County Adult Basic Education for providing direct educational services to adults to include teaching materials?
- Article #15 Shall the Town vote to appropriate \$5,000 for the purpose of building town recreation facilities?
- Article #16 Shall the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$1,250.00 to support the programs and services of BROCC (Bennington-Rutland Opportunity Council)?
- Article #17 Shall the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$300 to support the Association for Retarded Citizens- Rutland Area?
- Article #18 Shall the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$1,500.00 for the support of the programs of the Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging?
- Article #19 Shall the Town vote to have a stump dump and other bio-degradable material operated in West Rutland for the convenience of its residents?


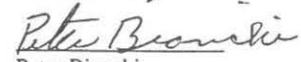
Selectboard

January 22, 2001


Tom Ascoli, Chairperson

Nick Notte

Ed Gilman


Frank Tyminski

Peter Bianchi


WEST RUTLAND TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE
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23rd day of January A.D. 2001

At 2 O'Clock 00 Minutes P

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR VOTERS

Here is some basic information for you, the voter. If you have any question after reading this, or any time during the voting process, ask your Town Clerk or another election official.

CHECK-IN

1. Go to "in" checklist table.
2. Give your name, and if asked, your residence to the election official in a clear, audible voice.
3. Wait until your name is repeated and checked off by the official.

ENTER

1. Enter within the guardrail, and do not leave until you voted.
2. An election official will hand you a paper ballot.
3. Go to a vacant booth.

MARK YOUR BALLOT

1. Make a cross (X) in the box to the right of the name of the candidate(s) you want to vote for. Follow the directions on the ballot as to how many to vote for. ("Vote for not more than two")
2. WRITE-IN. To vote for someone, whose name is not printed on the ballot, use the blank "write-in" lines on the ballot.

CHECK OUT

1. Go to the "out" checklist table.
2. Give your name to the election official in a clear, audible voice.
3. Wait until your name is repeated and checked off by the official.

VOTE

Deposit your ballot in the "Voted Ballots" box.

LEAVE

Leave the voting area by passing outside the guardrail.

WHAT TO DO IF:

YOU'RE NOT ON THE CHECKLIST

If your name has been dropped from the checklist and you think it was an error, explain it to your Town Clerk and ask that your name be put back on.

If the problem isn't cleared up to your satisfaction, have the Town Clerk, Select Person or other election official call an immediate meeting of the members of your Board of Civil Authority who are present at the polls. They should check thoroughly and correct any error.

If you still aren't satisfied, call the Secretary of State's Office at 1-800-439-8683.

YOU SPOIL YOUR BALLOT

Ask an election official for another ballot. Three ballots are the limit.

YOU'RE DISABLED, VISUALLY IMPAIRED OR CAN'T READ

Tell an election official. You may bring a friend or relative to help you, as long as he or she is a registered voter, or you may have two election officials help you.

YOU CAN'T GET FROM YOUR CAR TO THE POLLING PLACE

Have a friend tell an election official. Two election officials may bring out a ballot to your car so you can vote there.

IT IS ILLEGAL TO:

1. Knowingly vote more than once, either in the same town or in different towns.
2. Try to tell another person how to vote once you're inside the building where voting is taking place.
3. Mislead the Board of Civil Authority about your own or another person's eligibility to vote.
4. Show your marked ballot to others in order to let them know how you voted.
5. Make a mark on your ballot, which would identify it as yours.

PLEASE DON'T

1. Chat or socialize in the voting area, especially when there are people in the process of voting.
2. Leave brochures, buttons or other campaign literature in the voting booth.

ABSENTEE VOTING

A voter who expects to be an absent voter may request absentee ballots until 5:00 PM or the closing of the Town Clerk's Office on the day preceding the election. (March 5th, 2001) Also an authorized person, on behalf of an absent voter may apply for an absent voter ballot not later than 12:00 Noon of the day preceding the election. (March 5th, 2001). Application for absentee ballots will be accepted by the Town Clerk in the Town Hall during regular office hours Monday through Friday, 9-4.

APPLICATIONS FOR CHECKLIST

Applications for person's names to be placed on the checklist shall not be accepted after 12:00 Noon on the second Saturday proceeding the day of the election. (February 24th, 2001) Applications will be accepted by the Town Clerk at the Town Hall during regular office hours, 9-4, Monday through Friday and on February, 24th, from 10 AM-12 Noon.

INSTVOTE.WPS

TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator (Town & School)	*Robert Jablonski	2001	1 Year Term
Town Clerk	*Jayne Pratt	2001	3 Year Term
Town Treasurer	*Michael McGann	2001	3 Year Term
Selectpersons	Frank Tyminski	2002	3 Year Term
	*Thomas Ascoli	2001	3 Year Term
	Edward Gilman	2003	3 Year Term
	*Peter Bianchi	2001	1 Year Term
	*Nicola Notte	2001	1 Year Term
School Directors	Carl Serrani	2003	3 Year Term
	*John McGann	2001	1 Year Term
	*Kimberly Conway	2001	3 Year Term
	*Lynn Valach	2001	1 Year Term
	Denise Lafond	2002	3 Year Term
Listers	William Kelly	2003	3 Year Term
	Frances Flynn	2002	3 Year Term
	*Vacant	2001	3 Year Term
Grand Juror	*Richard Candlish	2001	1 Year Term
Town Law Agent	*James Rajda	2001	1 Year Term
First Constable	Robert Geryk	By Appointment	
Health Officer	Laurie Taggart	By Appointment	
Town Service Officer	Jayne Pratt	By Appointment	
Animal Control Officer	Jane Jameson	By Appointment	
Emergency Management Dir.	Edward Gilman	By Appointment	
Zoning Administrator	Frank Gorham	2003 By Appointment	

Date after name indicates when term expires. *Asterisk before name indicates office to be voted on this year.

2000 Selectboard & Town Manager Report YEAR IN REVIEW

As 2000 marked the beginning of a new century, the year also hosted a variety of municipal projects and accomplishments. The following report summarizes some of the major activities as the "Year in Review."

- 1) **Wastewater Upgrade Completed.** In August, the Town completed its wastewater project after years of planning, engineering and construction efforts. Planning for the upgrade began in 1995 and construction began in the Spring of 1999. The new treatment plant utilizes Sequential Batch Reactor technology, which treats influent without chemicals. Other improvements include: upgrading all seven pump stations; use of ultraviolet light for disinfection; and, raising the treatment plant floor elevation to above the 500 year flood level. The \$3.3 million project was completed within budget and is performing well. While 80% of the community are users of the new treatment plant, the economics and environment of the Town will benefit from the new system well into the new century.
- 2) **Road Projects.** In between wet weather, public works employees were out making road improvements in a number of areas. Pleasant Street received a new base, drainage system, and sidewalk. Dewey Avenue was paved for the first time from the intersection of Clark Hill Road to the Ira Town line. Both roads will receive an asphalt top coat in 2001, while Pleasant St. requires additional work. Pine Hill Road will also receive a top coat in 2001, as the paving contractor did not complete it within 2000. For a more detailed paving history, please see the Town's "What did we pave?" report. The Town also widened areas on Clark Hill Road, where drainage problems have occurred.

Transportation Grants. In August, the Vermont Agency of Transportation (AOT) awarded the Town a \$527,232 grant for the construction of a bike and pedestrian path. The award will fund rehabilitation of approximately 1 and ½ miles of sidewalk and construction of a ½ mile bike and pedestrian path. The Town also applied for an additional \$300,000 for a bike and pedestrian path for the southern side of the Town that would connect with the village.

With the support of a \$41,000 AOT grant, the Town completed the Thrall Avenue box culvert bridge project this Fall. The purpose of this project was to widen the travel width (to solve "bottle-neck" problems), replace a failing structure, and install with ADA compliant sidewalk.

Sidewalks. In addition to new sidewalks on Pleasant St., Main Street (from the Chapel Street intersection south/east) also received a new stretch of curbing and sidewalk. Drainage improvements were made in connection with the new facilities. Engineers designed the sidewalk and water main for the Clarendon Avenue Enhancement project (\$71,000 AOT grant). New sidewalk will hopefully be built in the 2001 construction season on Clarendon Avenue. Further sidewalk improvements are being considered in 2001 and beyond, as there is a need for Town-wide improvements.

December floods. December 17th gave the Town a surprise flood that lasted for a good 24 hour period. Road crews covered washouts on Pleasant Street, Durgy Hill Road, Clark Hill, Boardman Hill and others. Despite keeping basins clear, roads held the water in various locations, most notably by the Main St. Price Chopper area. Snow followed up quickly and the Town is still assessing what the financial damage is, estimated to be between \$5,000 and \$10,000.

Equipment. In an effort to save time and money, the Board purchased a used John Deere Backhoe. This piece of equipment will be used for road, water, and sewer projects where feasible.

- 3) **Town Collaborations.** Since the summer of '99, the Town has successfully partnered with three organizations to help meet the needs of the community. **These collaborations have delivered over \$1 million in Community Development Block Grants.** Without these collaborations, the Town would not accomplish projects such as the Smyrski building, rehabilitation of housing stock, and others. In 2000, Governor Dean visited West Rutland and presented the Town an award for \$660,000 to subgrant to Rutland West, NHS to establish a scattered site housing rehab loan program. West Rutland is serving as the lead grantee in this grant project which will benefit West Rutland and the other 11 member towns in the Rutland West consortium.

The Town also worked closely with the Rutland Economic Development Corporation (REDC) to help a prospective business locate in the industrial park in 2001. The end result will introduce a quality company into the community, as well as add tax base, job opportunity, and meet economic goals for the Town. The Selectboard plans to continue working with nonprofit organizations, such as the Carving Studio, as well as outlying communities that share a common interest or project in 2001.

- 4) **Industrial Park.** Much time was spent in 2000 to attract a prospective business, H. Hirschmann, LTD., into the Town's industrial park. A future lot sale of 4.6 acres located to the north of Maine Lubrication and Daamen is contingent upon final permit approval and financing. H. Hirschmann, LTD. build custom windows and doors and is currently located in Pittsford, VT. Hirschmann's company anticipates to employ up to 25 employees and proposes an 11,500 square foot building. The size of the building will allow the light industrial company to meet current market demands and room for growth. The family owned business fosters a positive work environment as workers develop important life long trade skills.

With the sale of the northern industrial lots, the Town and the West Rutland Development Corporation will concentrate on marketing the two remaining lots on the southern section of the park. Future prospective businesses will have the option of merging the two remaining lots into a 5.8 acre parcel, or locating on either lot.

The success of this project is attributed to the Hirschmann's interest in joining the West Rutland community, the support of the West Rutland Development Corporation & the Selectboard, and valuable assistance from REDC.

- 5) **Grants.** The Town received \$1,218,500 in State grant funding in 2000. Included in this total, is a \$660,000 consortium grant which will benefit West Rutland as well as 11 other Rutland West consortium towns. The Town also received a \$527,000 grant for replacing sidewalks and building a new bike and pedestrian path. The remaining funding was applied to Town Hall ADA improvements, GPS mapping of Town infrastructure, and zoning/subdivision regulation updates. Grant funding since 1996 now totals \$1.9 million, not including the wastewater upgrade grant funding. The Smyrski building grant project, on Marble Street, neared completion in 2000 and will house artists from the Carving Studio as well as commercial space beginning in winter 2001.
- 6) **Operations.** The Town financial position continues to remain stable. There has been little to no Town tax rate increase over the past six years, as the municipal rate has averaged 84.5 cents during this entire period.

The Town added some new faces to the Town Hall staff in 2000. Laurie Serrani was hired in the summer of 2000 to assist Dolores administer accounting and whatever else needs to be done in the office! Frank Gorham also began working for the Town as its new Zoning Officer. Both have done a great job since joining the staff, and both positions average about 20 hours a week. Jayne Pratt served in the zoning officer capacity for 18 dedicated years and continues to work at Town Hall as Town Clerk.

On 5/22/00 Fred Washburn resigned from the Selectboard and the Board appointed Duane Dickinson on 6/13/00 to serve until the next available election. On 9/12/00 Nick Notte was elected to the 1 year slot to serve until the March 01 Town Meeting.

- 7) **Water Department.** The Town Water Department purchased approximately 5 acres from the George Erickson estate to secure land located in the water source protection area. The land, purchased for \$8,000, is located directly next to the wellhead area and extends to Clarendon Avenue as it abuts the US Route 4 highway fence area. By purchasing this land, the Town can better protect its water for the future.

Other water department improvements include: painting/sealing the exterior of the water storage tank, as well as cleaning the interior; new fencing at the water storage tank; adoption of a Town water ordinance; and, GPS mapping of water line infrastructure.

- 8) **Policymaking and Planning.** The Town adopted its new Town Plan in November, after much hard work by the Planning Commission. The Town received funding from the State and assistance from the Regional Planning Commission to assemble the final copy. GPS mapping of infrastructure also took place to allow for better infrastructure construction planning. The Town also adopted wastewater and water department construction standards for future development projects, including "typical" spec drawings.
- 9) **Fire Department.** The Fire Department received delivery of 2001 Freightliner/Pierce pumper-tanker truck last summer. The new truck replaces a 1975 pumper, which has served the Town for the past 25 years. Two vacant buildings, obtained by the Fire District in 1999 were torn down in the Fall. By removing the buildings, which were beyond repair, the available lot space will allow for space for a new fire station to be built in the future.
- 10) **Town Hall Renovations.** Thanks to the Friends of Town Hall, the building received another facelift in 2000. The Town Clerk's office was renovated with the same style as done on other room projects. Jayne's new room features include a new counter, light fixtures, and other improvements. In addition to her office, the front entranceway stairway to the auditorium entrance was repainted and lights installed. The Friends also paid for new custom built wooden blinds and curtains to be installed in the conference room.

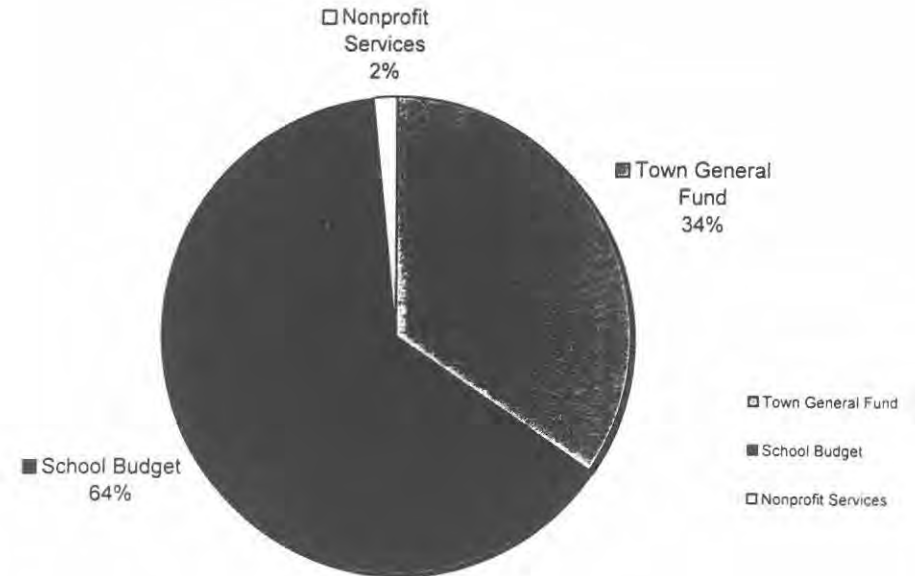
Other improvements in 2000 include: exterior storm windows installed on most of the main floor level windows (and interior storms removed), electrical work in the Town Clerk's office, upgrading the phone system to include voice mail, and roof repair on the north side of the building. ADA funding continues to be raised locally for a future project date.

- 11) **Other.** The Selectboard discussed many more issues in 2000. Some of these include: reaction to OMYA's proposal to use Clarendon Avenue for a truck route on their Danby project; legal matters; a dog bite hearing; resident requests to have the Town pay for improvements for Maplewood Drive and become a Town road; and various public concerns. **If you have any questions about this report, please contact Jason Simcock, Town Manager, at (802) 438-2263, ext. 11.**

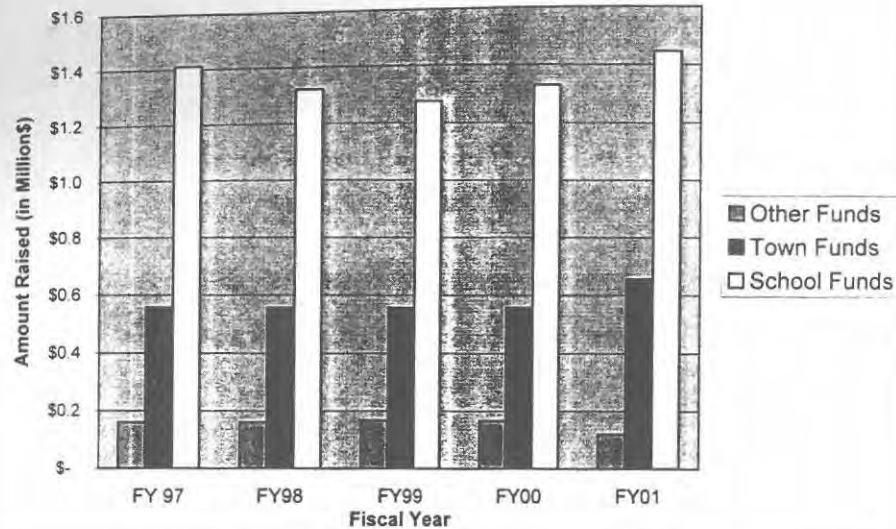
Respectfully submitted,

Tom Ascoli, Chairman
Peter Bianchi
Ed Gilman
Frank Tyminski
Nick Notte

Board of Selectmen



Town & School Funding FY 97-FY01



Fund Type	FY 97	FY98	FY99	FY00	FY01
Other Funds	\$ 160,042	\$ 161,292	\$ 167,294	\$ 166,844	\$ 119,882
Town Funds	\$ 556,562	\$ 556,562	\$ 556,562	\$ 556,562	\$ 655,836
School Funds	\$ 1,411,406	\$ 1,320,399	\$ 1,274,314	\$ 1,329,913	\$ 1,446,653

Notes:

Other Funds include: Nonprofit Agencies & Paving & Sidewalk improvements (effective FY 01 due to merger)

Town Fund is the general "Town & Highway" Article. This includes the Fire Department, due to Fire District merger.

School Fund includes all School raised and related articles.

All fund totals listed are the sum of Article amount raised as voted in the corresponding fiscal years.
FY 00 was last year fire dept. voted as a separate article, due to Fire District Merger.

Town of West Rutland 2000 Paving Report

WHERE HAVE WE PAVED?

Year after year, the town repairs, reconstructs, and resurfaces its roads. Each road presents its own set of challenges before it is paved (i.e. need ditches, new culverts, base work, etc.). Each year the number of miles paved varies depending on how much preparation work needs to be done and the level of funds available. **The town has paved a total of 12.03 miles since 1996.**

Year	Roads	Miles
1996	See previous report	3.27 miles
1997	Ross St.	spot corrected drainage by Ascoli's
1997	Whipple H.	1.1 Pike obligation from Giancola farm to Town line
1997	Pleasant St.	0.9 from Durgy Hill intersection to dirt (north)
1997	Franklin St.	0.21 entire road
1997	Blanchard St.	0.2 entire road
1997	Mead St.	0.32 entire road
		2.73 miles
1998	Whipple H.	0.55 1st base on gravel area
1998	Old Town Farm Rd.	0.45 1st base on gravel area
1998	Crescent St.	0.3 from Marble St. to Pleasant
1998	Thrall Ave.	0.32 entire road
1998	Marble St.	0.22 in conn. w/sidewalks& basins
1998	Rollin Thrall trnard	1/2 cost share/woodward ave.
1998		1.84 miles
1999	Whipple Hollow	0.55 overlay '98 base
1999	Whipple Hollow	0.45 overlay '93 base
1999	Old Town Farm Rd.	0.45 overlay '98 base
1999	Pine Hill Rd.	0.34 1st base on gravel
1999	Harrison Ave.	0.21 1.5" on entire road
1999	Slason St.	0.2 1.5" on entire road
1999	Pleasant Heights	0.5 1.5" on entire road
1999		2.7 Miles
2000	Pleasant Street*	.35 Reclaim and pave 3" base plus add a 2" surface
2000	Dewey Avenue	.8 2" base
2000	Pine Hill Road*	.34 1.5" surface coat
2000		1.49 Miles

* Roads to be paved in Spring 2001 for 2000 quote

**Town of West Rutland
2000 Grant Action Report**

In order to help meet goals of the community, the Town applies for grants through various state and federal agencies. A typical grant application process includes: project (or idea) development; funding resource research; application writing; and grant administration. This process is in addition to the project itself. A grant process may take several years to complete. Grant projects succeed only where the town supports the project.

To help understand a grant's timeline, please see the four year grant action report listed below. There are some grant projects that were issued funding in fiscal year (FY) 1999, but were not completed until FY 01.

In 2000, the Town received several grants covering many different types of projects. Some of these projects include: bike and pedestrian path construction; GPS work to map town infrastructure; ADA improvements at Town Hall; residential and rental housing loan assistance, and planning funds to update the Zoning and Subdivision bylaws. Over the past four fiscal years, the Town has received a total of \$ 1.9 million in grants.

Fiscal Year	Grant Type Requested	Award Amount	Request Amount	Not funded	Status
FY 98	Town Hall Improvements			\$ 4,200.00	
FY 98	Bridge & Culvert- Route 133 stabilization	\$ 7,500.00			complete 11/98
FY 98	Planning Grant-CAA Study bike/ped.	\$ 7,500.00			complete 6/99
FY 98	Enhancement Grant-Route 133 Sidewalks			\$71,600.00	reapply next FY
FY 98	Rutland Town Border Research	\$ 2,500.00			completed
FY 98	AOT "in kind" survey points	\$ 500.00			completed
FY98	March '98 Town Hall Improvements			\$ 4,900.00	
FY 99	Flood Damage Reimbursement- prior year	\$ 1,931.00			completed
FY 99	Rutland Town Border Research Finalized (up to amount)	\$ 12,500.00			completed
FY 99	Marsh Education-mapping, brochures, etc.	\$ 500.00			awarded 1/99
FY 99	Class II Resurfacing Marble St.	\$ 36,000.00			completed
FY 99	Planning Grant- Update Town Plan in 99	\$ 7,500.00			completed 12/00

See Grant Action Report Continued on Next Page.

Town of West Rutland
Grant Action Report, Continued

Fiscal Year	Grant Type Requested	Award Amount	Request Amount	Not funded	Status
FY 99	Enhancement Grant- Route 133 Sidewalks	\$ 71,753.00			Pre-bid phase
FY 99	Class II Resurfacing Whipple Hollow (top surface coat)	\$ 24,000.00			completed
FY 99	Bridge & Culvert- Route 133 stabilization (amendment)	\$ 1,972.95			completed
FY 99	March '99 Town Hall Improvements			\$ 4,900.00	
FY 99	Bridge & Culvert Thrall Avenue- Bridge #7	\$ 41,580.00			work 6/1/00
FY 99	Planning Grant- study to extend sewer lines to Carving Studio		\$ 20,500.00		Withdrawn
FY 00	Implementation Grant VCDP (Land Trust-grant writer)	\$ 405,770.00			In construction
FY 00	Direct Appropriation- Fire District Buildings (Legislature)	\$ 19,920.00			Buildings purchased
FY 00	Town Highway Grant (Legislature)	\$ 6,237.11			Applied to roads
FY 00	VHCB Grant- Smyrski tax credits (Land Trust-grant writer)	\$ 76,000.00			In construction
FY 00	Planning Grant- GPS sewer/water infrastructure	\$ 8,500.00			Completion phase
FY 01	Bike/Ped construction	\$ 527,000			In engineering
FY 01	Planning Grant-Zoning/Subdivision Updates	\$ 12,500			RFP Phase
FY 01	Better Backroads GPS capital planning grant	\$ 4,000			Completion phase
FY 01	Rutland West, NHS Construction Rehab Work	\$ 660,000			In process
FY 01	Enhancement for bike/ped path		\$ 300,000		Application review
FY 01	Town Hall/Community center ADA improvements--- direct appropriation	\$ 15,000			
Grand Total		\$1,950,663			

Note: The Town also received a Phosphorus Removal grant from the State of Vermont for the town's wastewater upgrade project in the amount of \$764,017.88 in 1999. The State Revolving Loan Fund 0% interest loan to the town for the upgrade also equals about \$1 million dollar in grant value, when compared with what could have been financed by other competitive commercial loans. This brings the total grant value to the upgrade project to \$1.76 million. The Smyrski building and Rutland West partnership grants were applied for by the corresponding nonprofit agencies. West Rutland participated in process and was not required to raise a local town match.

Town of West Rutland

Fiscal Year 2002 Budget Summary

- ❖ The estimated municipal tax rate will be set between 85 and 86 cents per \$100 of Grand List value this year. This is the same tax rate as estimated last year. With a conservative growth in the Grand List, the new tax rate may be even less than last year's. The town tax rate has been held between 84 and 86 cents for each the past six years. The proposed tax rate is based on all tax raising articles voted by Australian ballot.
- ❖ The proposed FY02 Selectboard budget article is \$3,315 less than last year's. The Selectboard's annual operating budget increased by 11%. However, revenues increased over 25.5% and helped offset any tax rate increase. The Board also allocated \$'s available in the existing fund balance to offset road project expense.
- ❖ The Town will reorganize its water, sewer, and highway departments in fiscal year 2002 into a department of public works. The proposed budget includes funds for a superintendant of public works. This position, considered a "working-foreman", will be responsible for daily coordination efforts, and on-site supervision & management. Water and sewer funds will reimburse the town's general fund for this position, to share expenses proportionately.
- ❖ While the Town was able to save over \$5,000 by bidding its liability insurance recently, health insurance rates have increased again. In 2002, rates will increase depending on the policy and it is hoped that legislation will address this statewide problem as soon as possible.
- ❖ If you are wondering what the town has paved for roads in the past, please see the *Town Paving Report* included within this book. If you have any other questions, please feel free to give Jason Simcock, Town Manager, a call at 438-2263.
- ❖ The Selectboard is budgeting to operate its own police force in 2001-02. The budget proposal allows for between 20 and 30 hours per week of patrol time. Residents can call 438-6114 for non-emergency assistance. After so many rings, calls will be directed to the state dispatch office in Rutland. Residents in emergency situations should dial 911 for immediate response.
- ❖ The Selectboard have placed a separate article on this year's ballot to raise an additional \$15,000 for ADA improvements for the Town Hall. In order to complete ADA improvements, which will include an elevator, ramp, bathroom hardware, etc., the Town needs to raise a local match for grant funding. Depending on the funding source, the town may need to have a 50% local match. With construction costs at \$275,000, the town needs to raise its share at a faster rate than done so in the past (before costs escalate even further). Current handicap improvement reserves are @ \$36,909 and all funding resources are being researched.

West Rutland Budget FY02 Proposal

Expenditures	FY02 Proposed	GF Fund Balance
Administration	\$ 203,149.00	
Highway	\$ 422,742.00	\$ 140,000.00
Truck Maintenance	\$ 24,250.00	
Garage	\$ 14,550.00	
Insurance	\$ 100,275.00	
Auxiliary Services	\$ 70,200.00	
Town Hall	\$ 26,600.00	
Local Enforcement	\$ 36,800.00	
Fire Protection	\$ 48,625.00	
Cemetery	\$ 5,250.00	
Recreation	\$ 32,780.00	
County Tax	\$ 12,590.00	
Other	\$ 13,900.00	
Total Town Expend	\$ 1,011,711.00	\$ 140,000.00

Other Expenses	
Fire Truck (new 1999)	\$ 20,000.00
Paving & sidewalk Article	\$ 65,000.00
Sewer Operating	\$ 295,536.00
Voted Articles	\$ 49,882.00
Other Expenses Total	\$ 430,418.00
Town & Other Total	\$ 1,442,129.00

Revenues	
Intergovernmental	\$ 69,600.00
Town Fee/Fines	\$ 23,400.00
Interdepartmental	\$ 73,540.00
Rent	\$ 2,400.00
Interest	\$ 15,000.00
Delinquent Tax Int.	\$ 25,000.00
Miscellaneous	\$ 10,250.00
Total Revenue	\$ 219,190.00
Other Revenue	
Sewer User Fees	\$ 245,536.00
Sewer Cash Bal.	\$ 50,000.00
GF Fund Balance	\$ 140,000.00
Total Other Rev.	\$ 435,536.00
Total Revenues	\$ 654,726.00

FY02 Town Taxes	\$ 787,403.00
FY01 Town Grand L	\$ 913,202.00

Municipal Tax Rate	0.8622
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Tax rate formula:

- Amount to be raised (divided by) grand list value
- Example: $\$787,403/\$913,202=0.8622$
- Tax rate is per \$100 of property value
- final tax rate depends on school budget amount.

Proposed Sewer Rate:	
	Users '02
# of	976
est. rate	\$ 251.57

Note: Final sewer rate depends on # of users.

Estimated tax effect:	
Home Value	FY02
\$ 50,000.00	\$ 431.12
\$ 80,000.00	\$ 689.80
\$ 110,000.00	\$ 948.47
\$ 150,000.00	\$ 1,293.37

Municipal Tax Rate Analysis FY '02

Town Expenditures	FY98	FY99	FY 00	FY 01	FY 02 Proposal	Percent of Proposal	Value of Tax Rate
General & Highway*	\$ 556,562	\$ 556,562	\$ 556,562	\$ 655,836	\$ 652,521	82.87%	0.7190
Fire Protection	\$ 46,350	\$ 46,350	\$ 46,350	See Note 1 & 2	See Note 1 & 2		
Services	\$ 29,942	\$ 28,994	\$ 35,494	\$ 34,882	\$ 34,882	4.43%	0.0382
Paving	\$ 65,000	\$ 65,000	\$ 65,000	\$ 65,000	\$ 65,000	8.25%	0.0713
School Deficit	\$ 40,000	\$ 40,000	\$ 40,000	\$ -	\$ -		
ADA Town Buildings	\$ -	\$ 7,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 15,000	1.90%	
Capital Improvement/school	\$ -	\$ 5,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		
Fire Dept. Truck	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	2.54%	0.0219
Town & Fire Total	\$ 757,854	\$ 768,906	\$ 763,406	\$ 775,718	\$ 787,403	100.00%	0.8504
Stabilization			\$ 2,436.00	\$ 2,436.00			
Grand List Value	\$ 884,742.00	\$ 894,579.95	\$ 897,178.92	\$ 912,185.90	\$ 913,202.00		
Tax Rate per \$100 val.	0.8566	0.8595	0.8482	0.8504	0.8622		

FY 02	FY 01
Impact	Impact
\$ 75,000 H	\$ 100,000 H
\$ 646.68	\$ 862.24

All of the above amounts are raised by the following articles at Town Meeting:

- * 1) General, Highway & Fire Department.
- 2) Fire Protection is included in General Selectboard Budget article. No longer separate article.
- 3) Services (various nonprofit agencies and special articles)
- 4) Paving and Sidewalks
- 5) American with Disabilities Act- to meet requirements at Town Hall (campaign to raise local grant match)
- 5) Fire Engine Truck (Reauthorized in March 1999)

Fiscal Impact code= 'H' stands for home.

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Revenues	FY 00 Budget	FY 00 Actual	FY 01 Budget	FY 02 Proposed
Fund Balance	\$78,313.00	\$78,313.00	\$25,000.00	\$140,000
SB UDF designation				
Property Tax	\$556,562.00	\$595,090.00	\$655,836.00	\$652,521
Subtotal FB and Property Tax	\$634,875.00	\$673,403.00	\$680,836.00	\$792,521.00
GPS Grant				
Clarendon Ave Grant				
Paving/Culvert Grant		\$24,000.00		
Planning Grant		\$7,900.00		
Total Grant Revenue	\$0.00	\$31,900.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
State Aid Highway	\$69,000.00	\$75,383.70	\$69,000.00	\$69,000
Railroad Tax	\$600.00	\$803.82	\$600.00	\$600
Sewer Administration	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$21,000.00	\$21,000
Water Administration		\$0.00	\$8,000.00	\$8,000
Ordinance Fines	\$4,000.00	\$3,843.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000
Solid Waste	\$400.00	\$320.00	\$400.00	\$400
Sewer Connection Fees	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0
Clerk Fees	\$12,000.00	\$12,862.50	\$12,500.00	\$12,500
Zoning	\$3,000.00	\$3,073.23	\$4,000.00	\$4,000
Copier	\$400.00	\$607.71	\$500.00	\$500
Dog Licenses	\$1,100.00	\$1,163.00	\$1,100.00	\$1,100
Treas Salary School	\$5,197.00	\$5,197.34	\$5,000.00	\$5,250
Interest	\$8,000.00	\$19,068.68	\$10,000.00	\$15,000
Town Hall Rent	\$2,400.00	\$2,400.00	\$1,200.00	\$2,400
Liquor License	\$600.00	\$830.00	\$600.00	\$700
Del Tax Interest/Penalty	\$9,750.00	\$37,607.48	\$20,000.00	\$25,000
Permits	\$100.00	\$235.00	\$100.00	\$100
Phone Reimbursement	\$600.00	\$1,251.21	\$600.00	\$750
Miscellaneous	\$7,000.00	\$9,352.25	\$6,000.00	\$6,000
Rec Committee Activities	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$6,400.00	\$4,200
Recreation-Summer	\$1,600.00	\$6,334.30	\$3,000.00	\$3,000
Town Clerk Other		\$1,738.55	\$1,000.00	\$1,000
Fire District Transfers		\$1,860.32	\$0.00	\$0
Fire Fund		\$9,050.00	\$0.00	\$0
Town Clerk's Restoration	\$1,500.00	\$1,548.25	\$1,500.00	\$1,500
State Land Use		\$3,582.00	\$0.00	\$3,500
Interest-Overdue Taxes		\$3,921.59	\$0.00	\$0
Public Wks Superintendent				\$31,690
Total Revenues	\$147,247.00	\$222,033.93	\$174,500.00	\$219,190.00
Total Revenue & Fund Balance	\$782,122.00	\$927,336.93	\$855,336.00	\$1,011,711.00
Expenditures	FY 00 Budget	FY 00 Actual	FY 01 Budget	FY 02 Proposed
Manager's Salary	\$38,698.00	\$39,442.07	\$40,633.00	\$42,665
Manager's Expense	\$2,500.00	\$2,495.14	\$2,500.00	\$2,500
Treasurer's Salary	\$9,656.00	\$9,841.57	\$10,000.00	\$10,500
Office Back Up	\$3,600.00	\$3,413.76	\$3,600.00	\$3,780
Town Clerk Salary	\$19,674.00	\$20,052.55	\$20,658.00	\$22,819
Town Clerk Supplies	\$1,850.00	\$1,712.66	\$2,500.00	\$2,500
Town Clerk Expense	\$1,500.00	\$392.60	\$0.00	\$0

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Expenditures	FY 00 Budget	FY 00 Actual	FY 01 Budget	FY 02 Proposed
New Copier	\$3,000.00	\$3,440.56	\$3,500.00	\$3,500
Town Official Expense	\$1,600.00	\$1,690.45	\$1,600.00	\$1,600
Listers	\$0.00	\$6,104.18	\$6,600.00	\$7,200
Selectmen Salary	\$6,500.00	\$3,100.00	\$3,100.00	\$5,000
Planning/Zoning Salary	\$3,100.00	\$2,225.88	\$1,500.00	\$2,250
Zoning Admin. Salary	\$2,000.00	\$9,901.99	\$10,201.00	\$10,600
Health Officer Salary	\$9,715.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200
On Site Septic Officer	\$1,200.00	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$250
Bookkeeper/Secretary Sal	\$30,378.00	\$30,960.48	\$31,897.00	\$33,491
Assistant Bookkeeper		\$0.00	\$7,500.00	\$7,875
Auditing	\$5,600.00	\$6,600.00	\$6,200.00	\$6,300
Single Audit		\$0.00		\$1,100
Elections	\$1,000.00	\$853.36	\$2,500.00	\$2,500
Tax Billing	\$750.00	\$369.20	\$750.00	\$750
Data Processing	\$3,500.00	\$4,167.71	\$3,500.00	\$3,000
Legal Fees	\$6,750.00	\$7,319.90	\$7,000.00	\$7,000
Office Supplies	\$2,250.00	\$2,944.58	\$2,500.00	\$3,250
Postage	\$2,245.00	\$1,338.38	\$2,245.00	\$2,245
Town Report	\$2,300.00	\$2,940.66	\$2,300.00	\$3,000
Advertising	\$2,750.00	\$2,681.85	\$2,750.00	\$3,000
Telephone	\$3,000.00	\$2,771.80	\$3,250.00	\$3,350
Delinquent Tax Expense	\$500.00	\$322.70	\$750.00	\$750
Regional Planning	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500
Vlct Dues	\$1,446.00	\$1,446.00	\$1,502.00	\$1,549
Miscellaneous	\$4,500.00	\$5,176.32	\$4,500.00	\$4,500
Town Clerk Restoration				\$1,500
Newsletters/Web Site	\$750.00	\$892.55	\$900.00	\$1,125
Total Administration	\$172,812.00	\$176,548.90	\$188,386.00	\$203,149
Fire Service Reimbursemen	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$6,000
Office Supplies	\$400.00	\$253.84	\$400.00	\$400
Postage	\$50.00	\$14.00	\$100.00	\$75
Tools	\$2,000.00	\$157.04	\$1,000.00	\$750
Vehicle Fuel	\$800.00	\$365.82	\$700.00	\$700
Consumable Supplies	\$200.00	\$213.95	\$350.00	\$450
Advertising	\$100.00			
Phone	\$2,000.00	\$1,438.35	\$1,500.00	\$1,500
Training & Dues	\$1,000.00	\$388.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500
Vehicle Insurance	\$7,750.00	\$4,373.00	\$4,375.00	\$5,900
Workman's Comp	\$1,200.00	\$235.00	\$700.00	\$500
Liability Insurance	\$2,250.00	\$2,491.00	\$2,750.00	\$2,600
Accident & Sickness	\$1,200.00	\$1,892.00	\$2,000.00	\$1,900
Purchased Services	\$1,500.00	\$957.56	\$0.00	\$0
Professional	\$200.00			
Building Maintenance	\$6,000.00	\$2,387.52	\$1,000.00	\$2,000
Rentals	\$150.00			
Taxes	\$250.00	\$70.00	\$250.00	\$250
Cvps-Station	\$1,100.00	\$1,217.77	\$1,125.00	\$1,300
Heating Fuel	\$1,200.00	\$877.59	\$800.00	\$1,000
Building Improvement	\$6,000.00	\$3,909.31	\$0.00	\$0
Cap Equipment Savings	\$5,000.00	\$19,198.91	\$5,000.00	\$5,000

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Expenditures	FY 00 Budget	FY 00 Actual	FY 01 Budget	FY 02 Proposed
Communications		\$0.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,500
Dues		\$0.00	\$300.00	\$300
Truck Maintenance		\$0.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000
Equipment Maintenance		\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000
Station Improve Savings		\$0.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000
Building Purchase Finance		\$0.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000
Building Removal		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0
Total Fire Department	\$46,350.00	\$46,440.66	\$46,350.00	\$48,625
Equipment Savings	\$35,000.00	\$35,000.00	\$35,000.00	\$35,000
Labor	\$88,200.00	\$86,213.34	\$92,500.00	\$130,392
Uniforms	\$1,775.00	\$2,394.43	\$2,500.00	\$3,250
Salt	\$34,500.00	\$21,204.12	\$34,500.00	\$34,500
Sand	\$10,250.00	\$8,089.20	\$11,000.00	\$13,000
Engineering	\$3,000.00	\$9,600.79	\$4,000.00	\$4,000
Culverts	\$5,000.00	\$2,302.44	\$5,000.00	\$5,000
Gravel	\$16,500.00	\$10,801.05	\$2,500.00	\$2,500
Hot Mix	\$1,000.00	\$709.27	\$1,000.00	\$1,000
Resurfacing	\$35,000.00	\$34,195.10	\$35,000.00	\$35,000
Chlonde	\$4,000.00	\$3,935.00	\$4,000.00	\$4,000
Cold Patch	\$3,000.00	\$466.35	\$2,000.00	\$2,000
Emergency Maintenance		\$6,558.95	\$0.00	\$3,000
Lawn Maintenance	\$5,500.00	\$6,955.00	\$5,500.00	\$3,000
Tree Work	\$750.00	\$265.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000
Traffic Signs	\$1,500.00	\$1,626.89	\$2,000.00	\$2,000
Pager Service		\$0.00	\$350.00	\$350
Tools & Miscellaneous	\$2,500.00	\$2,610.07	\$2,500.00	\$2,500
Equipment Rental	\$22,500.00	\$19,547.21	\$0.00	N/A
BRIDGE GRANT- Thrall	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$45,500.00	N/A
Bndges RESERVE	\$4,500.00	\$0.00	\$4,500.00	\$4,500
Gps Grant	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	N/A
Clar-Sidewalk Grant		\$4,595.32	\$0.00	\$0
Catch Basin Cleaning	\$3,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000
Walk Recycling	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000
Channel Maintenance	\$2,500.00	\$0.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,500
Highway Grant	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0
Sidewalk Repair	\$10,000.00	\$10,756.17	\$10,000.00	\$15,000
Culvert Grant	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0
Street Cleaning	\$6,000.00	\$3,781.18	\$6,000.00	\$5,000
Road Construction	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$39,000.00	\$45,000
Pavement Marking	\$2,500.00	\$595.07	\$2,000.00	\$2,000
Training	\$250.00	\$150.00	\$250.00	\$250
Istea Grant (Match)	\$18,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	N/A
Istea Grant II (Match)				\$60,000
Bike/Ped Grant (Match)	\$0.00		\$52,700	
Total Highway	\$319,725.00	\$274,351.95	\$409,800.00	\$422,742
BC/BS	\$32,450.00	\$34,137.25	\$42,000.00	\$47,000
FICA	\$18,669.00	\$18,199.75	\$20,000.00	\$22,475
Vehicles	\$3,004.00	\$0.00	\$2,500.00	N/A
Workers Comp	\$7,500.00	\$4,638.00	\$4,600.00	N/A

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Expenditures	FY 00 Budget	FY 00 Actual	FY 01 Budget	FY 02 Proposed
Liab & Buildings	\$8,250.00	\$2,029.00	\$6,250.00	N/A
Property & Casualty				\$10,000
Employment Practice				\$1,400
Drug/Alcohol testing				\$250
Retirement	\$10,450.00	\$10,711.92	\$11,000.00	\$11,000
Unemployment Comp	\$1,545.00	\$1,477.57	\$2,000.00	\$2,000
Disability	\$2,350.00	\$1,932.20	\$2,350.00	\$2,400
Bond	\$1,349.00	\$1,349.00	\$1,500.00	N/A
Employee practice liability				\$1,250
Public Office Liab	\$2,579.00	\$3,423.00	\$2,750.00	\$2,500
Law Enforcement Liab	\$900.00	\$0.00	\$900.00	N/A
Total Insurances	\$89,046.00	\$77,897.69	\$95,850.00	\$100,275
Gas, Oil, Diesel	\$5,750.00	\$6,594.27	\$5,750.00	\$7,000
Repair Parts	\$6,000.00	\$2,593.68	\$6,000.00	\$6,000
Outside Repairs	\$5,000.00	\$4,051.53	\$3,500.00	\$3,500
Tires, Chains, Batteries	\$4,250.00	\$546.01	\$4,000.00	\$3,000
Plow Blades	\$1,500.00	\$1,403.28	\$1,500.00	\$1,500
Tools & Equipment	\$2,750.00	\$3,117.59	\$2,750.00	\$2,750
Radios	\$500.00	\$210.00	\$500.00	\$500
Total Truck Maintenance	\$25,750.00	\$18,516.36	\$24,000.00	\$24,250
Street Traffic Light	\$39,500.00	\$38,489.44	\$39,500.00	\$41,500
Solid Waste Mgt	\$4,000.00	\$2,379.19	\$4,000.00	\$4,000
Library	\$18,500.00	\$18,500.00	\$20,000.00	\$23,500
Humane Society	\$500.00	\$38.25	\$500.00	\$500
Memorial Day	\$250.00	\$75.00	\$250.00	\$250
Forest Fires	\$450.00	\$0.00	\$450.00	\$450
Total Auxiliary	\$63,200.00	\$59,481.88	\$64,700.00	\$70,200
Fuel Oil	\$1,250.00	\$1,126.04	\$1,250.00	\$1,500
Repairs	\$2,500.00	\$1,021.75	\$2,000.00	\$2,000
Telephone	\$600.00	\$438.03	\$600.00	\$600
Cvps	\$450.00	\$73.77	\$450.00	\$450
Garage Update-Reserve	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000
Total Garage	\$14,800.00	\$12,659.59	\$14,300.00	\$14,550
Maintenance Labor	\$2,000.00	\$2,268.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,500
Cleaning Service	\$2,600.00	\$2,600.00	\$2,600.00	\$2,600
Cvps	\$4,500.00	\$3,513.59	\$4,500.00	\$4,500
Miscellaneous	\$2,000.00	\$2,370.91	\$3,000.00	\$3,500
Fuel Oil	\$3,000.00	\$2,773.36	\$3,000.00	\$3,000
Electrical	\$500.00	\$902.12	\$500.00	\$500
Improvements-Reserve	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000
Total Town Hall	\$24,600.00	\$24,427.98	\$25,600.00	\$26,600
Sheriff Services	\$7,400.00	\$7,189.50	\$0.00	\$1,000
Constable	\$1,330.00	\$152.00	\$0.00	N/A
Constable 3/00	\$3,500.00	\$2,251.00	\$0.00	N/A
Police Animal Control	\$3,120.00	\$2,355.46	\$3,120.00	\$3,120
Police Mileage	\$1,000.00	\$343.59	\$0.00	\$0

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Expenditures	FY 00 Budget	FY 00 Actual	FY 01 Budget	FY 02 Proposed
Vehicle Fuel	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000
Police Equipment	\$2,000.00	\$1,710.51	\$2,000.00	\$2,000
Car Storage		\$750.00	\$900.00	\$900
Police Telephone	\$1,000.00	\$662.18	\$1,000.00	\$1,000
Police Training	\$300.00	\$10.50	\$300.00	\$300
D A R E Program	\$500.00	\$482.08	\$500.00	\$500
Emergency Management	\$400.00	\$504.93	\$400.00	\$400
Specials	\$750.00	\$2,118.50	\$0.00	\$0
Police Equipment Savings	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000
Vehicle Finance	\$3,250.00	\$0.00	\$3,250.00	\$4,080
Police Force-Labor		\$0.00	\$19,500.00	\$19,500
Total Law Enforcement	\$28,550.00	\$22,530.25	\$34,970.00	\$36,800
Cvps	\$730.00	\$814.50	\$730.00	\$730
Telephone	\$250.00	\$411.11	\$250.00	\$250
Labor	\$7,000.00	\$7,613.81	\$8,000.00	\$8,250
Supplies	\$2,900.00	\$2,972.17	\$3,500.00	\$3,500
Facility Maint	\$2,000.00	\$1,545.37	\$2,000.00	\$2,000
Transportation	\$2,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000
Wr Girls Softball		\$0.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200
Wr Boys Baseball		\$0.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000
Construction		\$1,570.13	\$2,500.00	\$4,000
Pass Thru		\$1,981.20	\$0.00	\$0.00
Jr Babe Ruth		\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000
Mitey Mites/T Ball		\$0.00	\$500.00	\$500
Soccer 1-4 Grades		\$0.00	\$500.00	\$600
Skating Rink		\$0.00	\$500.00	\$1,000
Ski Program		\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$750
Field Mowing		\$0.00	\$4,000.00	\$3,000
Misc Programs	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,000.00	\$3,000
Total Recreation	\$15,380.00	\$16,908.29	\$27,680.00	\$32,780
County Tax	\$10,470.00	\$10,517.17	\$12,500.00	\$12,590
Economic Development	\$7,500.00	\$3,655.57	\$2,500.00	\$10,000
Tree Warden	\$0.00	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$250
Green Up	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$150
Tree Planting/Grant Match	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500
Property Mapping	\$2,000.00	\$3,034.23	\$2,000.00	\$2,000
Town Plan Update		\$7,806.26	\$0.00	\$0
Cemetery Maintenance	\$3,000.00	\$1,996.20	\$3,000.00	\$5,250
Dodds Debt	\$2,139.00	\$1,247.47	\$0.00	N/A
Total Other	\$17,789.00	\$18,139.73	\$9,400.00	\$19,150
Total General Fund	\$828,472.00	\$758,420.45	\$953,536.00	\$1,011,711

Town of West Rutland

Year 2000 Wastewater Treatment Facility Report

The past year saw the completion of a long awaited and a much-needed project, the new wastewater treatment facility. This facility is now the showcase of years of hard efforts by town officials, operations staff, engineers and designers. The new treatment facility allows for increased capacity to facilitate growth within the community, as well as to comply with new state and federal guidelines for improving the quality of discharge that goes into the area's receiving waters.

Many new concepts were adopted at the new facility as well. The most "user-friendly" improvement at the facility was implemented at the final stage of the process by the use of ultra violet light for disinfection. No longer is the use of chlorine and sulfur dioxide gas a part of the facility, and as a result, a great safety concern has been eliminated. All new structures were constructed as part of the facility, and only one of the old tanks was retained for use, as it was refurbished to provide for increased sludge storage at the plant.

The new facility went operational on the morning of May 18th, 2000. Shortly after the initial start-up, the State of Vermont DEC conducted an on-site inspection of the facility, to evaluate the quality of the treatment process, and gave the town a mark of "excellent", which is rarely given out by the state. This was a great honor by the town to receive, and it will continue to be the standard by which the facility operates.

In addition to the new facility, the upgrade reached outside of the confines of our plant for the refurbishment of the pump stations that are located about town. Four of these stations received new pumps and valving, as well as all new control panels. The new panels incorporate the use of alarm circuitry that automatically calls the operators in the event of a station malfunction. Additionally, in the event of a loss of power, the station can be operated through the use of an auxiliary generator that can be towed to each station as needed.

The main pumping station located on Elm St. was completely redesigned with a new building as well, along with it's own standby engine operated pump. Areas of confined space limitations have been eliminated by the design of the pump stations, and have increased the overall safety of the operations staff.

Additionally, road resurfacing by the highway department resulted in a number of manhole structures requiring to be rebuilt. This greatly improves the system by reducing the amount of surface and groundwater that can enter into the pipeline. Also, the on going task of high pressure line flushing was performed throughout the town's collection system.

Once again, it is important to reiterate the practice of not placing foreign objects into the sewage collection system. Our number one battle in this area continues to be the removal of accumulations of **grease**. Household cooking is the cause of this problem, when the residue is poured or washed out into the sink. This will then re-solidify in the pipelines either in the home or out on the street to where it runs. This causes unnecessary cost on the part of the town by flushing lines and vacuuming out the wet-well areas of the pump stations where it also collects. About \$7500.00 per year is spent on this maintenance item alone. Please help us here at the facility, by using care and common sense when cooking at home.

It has been our pleasure to serve the townspeople of West Rutland this past year, and we encourage all who would like to see the new wastewater facility, to simply call us here at 438-5633 to arrange a tour.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bruce M. Atkinson	Chief Operator
Dennis Hillier	Asst. Chief Operator

Town of West Rutland
FY 2002 Sewer Budget Proposal
July 1, 2001 to June 30, 2002

Wastewater Budget Expenditures	FY 00 Budget	FY 00 Actual	FY 01 Budget	FY 02 Proposed
Salaries	\$60,750.00	\$62,261.71	\$64,440.00	\$67,250
Health Insurance	\$10,230.00	\$7,751.07	\$12,000.00	\$15,250
FICA	\$4,650.00	\$4,730.96	\$4,930.00	\$5,100
Superintendent cost share				\$15,850
Retirement (Vmers)	\$3,400.00	\$3,551.13	\$3,609.00	\$3,363
Uniforms	\$840.00	\$1,037.96	\$1,250.00	\$1,176
Plant Cleaning Service				\$1,324
Legal		\$473.00	\$0.00	\$0
Admin Reimbursement	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$21,000.00	\$21,000
Equipment Savings	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000
Vehicle Maintenance	\$700.00	\$768.99	\$1,000.00	\$1,000
Unemployment Insurance	\$765.00	\$737.93	\$810.00	\$850
Workman's Comp	\$1,900.00	\$1,912.00	\$1,500.00	\$2,000
Vehicle Insurance	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	N/A
Disability Insurance	\$360.00	\$341.10	\$370.00	\$385
Boiler/Machine Insurance	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	N/A
Flood Insurance	\$4,400.00	\$4,846.00	\$0.00	N/A
Plant Insurance	\$3,000.00	\$466.00	\$4,500.00	N/A
Property & Casualty				\$3,148
Vehicle-Fuel	\$1,050.00	\$1,004.29	\$1,050.00	\$950
Lab Chemicals	\$1,100.00	\$736.65	\$1,375.00	\$875
Lab Equipment	\$600.00	\$478.83	\$600.00	\$600
Chlorine	\$2,500.00	\$2,580.00	\$0.00	N/A
Sulfur Dioxide	\$1,500.00	\$1,507.50	\$0.00	N/A
Polymer	\$2,700.00	\$300.00	\$500.00	\$250
Contract Services	\$5,400.00	\$5,492.67	\$6,000.00	\$6,000
Lab Testing		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,500
Soda Ash		\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$2,730
Allum		\$0.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000
Uv Bulbs		\$0.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,500
Telephone	\$2,640.00	\$1,108.32	\$1,100.00	\$1,500
water	\$2,000.00	\$0.00		
Modem Phone Expense		\$0.00	\$2,200.00	\$2,575
Paging Service	\$561.00	\$449.55	\$600.00	\$600
Bond Financing	\$4,700.00	\$4,700.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,000
Office Supplies	\$250.00	\$264.06	\$250.00	\$500
Miscellaneous	\$2,500.00	\$2,784.99	\$3,000.00	\$2,000
Training	\$625.00	\$465.00	\$1,000.00	\$750
Plant Maintenance	\$4,500.00	\$6,366.35	\$3,000.00	\$3,000
Engineering/Planning	\$1,500.00	\$615.90	\$1,000.00	\$1,000
Heating Fuel	\$2,050.00	\$2,217.64	\$2,500.00	\$4,000
Emergency Maintenance	\$2,000.00	\$237.04	\$1,000.00	\$1,000
Lawn Service	\$2,450.00	\$2,482.50	\$2,500.00	\$2,625
Sewer Line Maintenance	\$7,500.00	\$7,528.26	\$7,500.00	\$4,000
Sewer Connection		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,200
Sludge Management	\$50,640.00	\$38,500.00	\$51,000.00	\$57,600
Permit Renewal	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$0
Plant - Cvps	\$29,000.00	\$20,204.93	\$32,000.00	\$29,000
Pump Station Maintenance	\$3,000.00	\$2,840.58	\$3,000.00	\$3,500
Elm Street	\$7,530.00	\$5,498.47	\$7,530.00	\$8,000
Elm St Fuel		\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000

Town of West Rutland
FY 2002 Sewer Budget Proposal
July 1, 2001 to June 30, 2002

Wastewater Budget Expenditures	FY 00 Budget	FY 00 Actual	FY 01 Budget	FY 02 Proposed
Harrison Avenue	\$2,400.00	\$1,484.56	\$2,400.00	\$2,630
Barnes Street	\$1,200.00	\$812.93	\$1,200.00	\$1,275
Baxter Street	\$600.00	\$595.09	\$600.00	\$785
Clarendon Avenue	\$1,250.00	\$1,424.74	\$1,500.00	\$1,725
Main Street	\$980.00	\$877.23	\$980.00	\$1,370
Thrall Avenue	\$400.00	\$162.33	\$350.00	\$450
Fairview Avenue	\$400.00	\$240.54	\$350.00	\$350
Total Wastewater Expend	\$264,021.00	\$227,838.80	\$266,994.00	\$295,536

Town of West Rutland

Water Department 2000 Report

The year 2000 brought several changes to the water department. First, the Town suffered the loss of Ed Gilman's services temporarily, as its water operator. Since August, Bruce Atkinson and Dennis Hillier have split water operator duties. Both operators are happy to report safe water tests continue to be delivered for the consumers in West Rutland. (For a complete analysis of water quality, please find this information in the town's consumer confidence report on water quality.) Fortunately, Ed will be back soon in 2001! We are all very happy to see him return in good health and the Town will benefit greatly from his help.

The water system had several improvements in 2000. Some of these improvements include: water storage tank sealing, installation of security fencing around the water storage tank, and GPS mapping of water infrastructure. The department also purchased more land immediately in and surrounding the water source protection area (down by Sabotka's recreation area). Owning this land creates better protection for the town's only water source and also creates some recreation opportunities for the community. The Town also adopted a set of water dept. construction standards, including illustrated profiles for specs, to protect future use of the water system.

Unfortunately, the town suffered some major water leaks in 2000. The age of the distribution system continues to be a factor and should be addressed in the future. The Selectboard will initiate a feasibility study in 2001 to identify correcting some problem areas, such as low pressure areas, lack of proper shut off locations, fire protection needs, and others. Once the bond is paid off in fiscal year 2005, the town should continue to consider other progressive improvements before solutions become "too late" for the town's water users or repair costs become out of reach.

If you have any questions regarding the water department, please feel free to give the Town Hall a call at 438-2263 or the Treatment Plant at 438-5633 or 2113. Thank you for your support in 2000!

Board of Selectmen
Tom Ascoli
Pete Bianchi
Ed Gilman
Frank Tyminski
Nick Notte

Town Manager
Jason Simcock

Town of West Rutland Water Dept. FY 2002 Budget Proposal July 1, 2001 to June 30, 2002

Water Dept. Expenditures	FY 00 Proposed	FY 00 Actual	FY 01 Budget	FY02 Proposed
Salaries/Administration	\$8,000.00	\$5,744.21	\$10,000.00	\$10,000
Assistant Labor		\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000
FICA	\$2,500.00	\$1,752.58	\$2,100.00	\$2,200
Office Supplies	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$300
Advertising	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$250.00	\$250
Contributions & Subsidies	\$550.00	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$200
Insurance	\$7,000.00	\$3,886.00	\$0.00	N/A
Property & Casualty				\$1,565
Liability Insurance		\$0.00	\$3,000.00	N/A
Workers Comp Insurance		\$0.00	\$1,400.00	N/A
Chlorine & Chemicals		\$0.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200
Testing & Sampling	\$2,500.00	\$720.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,500
Professional Services	\$2,000.00	\$1,389.27	\$0.00	N/A
Taxes	\$1,200.00	\$1,314.76	\$1,700.00	\$1,700
Permits	\$2,300.00	\$1,584.05	\$1,800.00	\$1,800
Postal	\$1,000.00	\$507.45	\$1,000.00	\$1,000
Equipment Savings		\$14,165.54	\$3,500.00	\$3,500
Superintendent Cost Share		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$15,845
Water Operator Salary	\$20,000.00	\$23,738.84	\$26,250.00	\$27,563
Health/Dental Ins	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,680.00	\$8,000
Retirement		\$0.00	\$1,312.00	\$1,400
Disability Ins		\$0.00	\$108.00	\$250
Meter Installation		\$1,312.26	\$500.00	\$1,500
Pump & Well Supplies	\$800.00	\$748.88	\$800.00	\$800
Expendable Tools	\$800.00	\$814.95	\$1,000.00	\$1,000
Phone	\$1,200.00	\$1,541.13	\$1,600.00	\$1,600
Pager Service		\$0.00	\$300.00	\$300
Contract Services	\$5,300.00	\$4,552.30	\$10,000.00	\$7,500
Well/Plant Maintenance	\$2,500.00	\$6,073.42	\$5,000.00	\$5,000
Tank Maintenance		\$0.00	\$750.00	\$750
Line Maintenance	\$1,500.00	\$9,089.34	\$7,500.00	\$10,000
Hydrant Maintenance		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$500
Water Connection		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,500
Cvps-Wells	\$27,500.00	\$21,151.32	\$22,500.00	\$22,500
Cvps-Distribution	\$1,000.00	\$1,431.32	\$1,500.00	\$1,500
Land Purchase		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0
Capital Improvement/Reser	\$12,815.76	\$12,529.26	\$9,000.00	\$9,000
Capital Equipment	\$1,700.00	\$4,932.39	\$0.00	\$0
Vehicle Fuel	\$600.00	\$469.19	\$600.00	\$600
Vehicle Maintenance		\$234.98	\$500.00	\$500
Professional	\$2,500.00	\$1,226.68	\$0.00	N/A
Training		\$0.00	\$250.00	\$250
Equipment Rental	\$750.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	N/A
Engineering		\$0.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500
Publication Expense-Ccr		\$0.00	\$500.00	\$500
Water Operations	\$107,315.76	\$120,910.12	\$127,100.00	\$147,073
Bond Principle & Interest	\$77,437.24	\$10,108.09	\$78,112.78	\$72,893
Total Water Dept. Expenses	\$184,753.00	\$131,018.21	\$205,212.78	\$219,966

Town of West Rutland
Delinquent Utility Bills as of June 30, 2000

Anagnos, Nicholas & Mary	\$ 155.69 *	Molaski, John & Andrew	\$ 429.40
Bennett, William & Mary	120.23 *	National Super Service	720.90
Carlson, Judy	1187.14 *	Phalen, Gordon & Esther	118.52*
Coleman, Don & Laura	59.19 *	Prevendoski, Charles & Mary	199.48*
Czamecki, Michael & Kathy	429.40 *	Radomski, Stanley	277.26*
Daamen, Inc.	545.09 *	Rigg, Joe	107.35*
Daley, Richard & Wendy	2283.98	Rochon, Ivan & Jessie	1073.50*
Farley, David & Linda	221.55 *	Rochon, Ivan & Jessie	858.80*
Flores, Mary Ann	214.70 *	Sheridan, Michael & Lisa	214.70
Gawet, Marie	65.24 *	Sienicki, Louis & Mary	140.42*
Grandchamp, Betty	216.10 *	Smith, Claire & Scott	214.70*
Grandchamp, David & Joanne	89.96 *	Terrell, Patricia & Joe Riley	178.22*
Gudelis, James & Barbara	44.26 *	Trepanier, Patrick & Sue	140.27*
Kinney, Eva	429.40 *	Vahle, Barbara	70.27*
LaFond, Thomas & Denise	243.61 *	VanDriel, Peter & Tina	217.20*
Loso, Francis & Beverly	214.70 *	Velde, Anders	109.77*
Loso, John	145.24 *	Vincelette, Fernand & Mary	156.23*
Mills, Connie	214.70 *	Webster, Teena	220.96*
Molaski, John J.	531.40	Wolk, Steven	83.98*

Total \$ 12,943.51

* Indicates amount has been paid in full or payment plan in effect.

Respectfully Submitted,

Laurie R. Serrani
Delinquent Water Rents Collector

TOWN OF WEST RUTLAND, VERMONT -

AUDIT REPORT

JUNE 30, 2000

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Independent Auditor's Report

Board of Selectmen
Town of West Rutland
P.O. Box 60
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We have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements of the Town of West Rutland, Vermont as of and for the year ended June 30, 2000, as listed in the Table of Contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Town's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As described in Note 1, the Town's policy is to prepare its financial statements on the modified cash basis of accounting, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles.

A statement of general fixed assets, required by generally accepted accounting principles, is not included in the financial report because the Town has not maintained records as to the historical costs of its general fixed assets. The amount that should be included in the general fixed asset account group is unknown.

In our opinion, except for the omission of the general fixed asset account group, the general purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly the assets and liabilities of the Town of West Rutland, Vermont at June 30, 2000, arising from cash transactions, and the revenue collected and expenditures paid by it during the year then ended on the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

July 14, 2000
Montpelier, Vermont

Sullivan, Powers & Company

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TOWN OF WEST RUTLAND, VERMONT
COMBINED STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES
(ARISING FROM CASH TRANSACTIONS)
ALL FUND TYPES AND ACCOUNT GROUPS
JUNE 30, 2000

	Governmental Fund Types			Fiduciary Fund Type	Account Group	Totals (Memorandum Only)
	General Fund	Special Revenue Funds	Capital Projects Funds	Agency Fund	General Long-Term Debt	
ASSETS						
Cash - Note 2	\$ 601,397	\$ 99,770	\$ 540,696	\$ 7,098	\$ 0	\$ 1,248,961
Due from Other Funds	0	201,349	1,048	0	0	202,397
Interfund Loans Receivable - Note 3	0	19,480	6,825	0	0	26,305
Loans Receivable - Note 4	0	159,500	0	0	0	159,500
Amount to be Provided for Retirement of General Long-Term Debt	0	0	0	0	2,870,284	2,870,284
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 601,397	\$ 480,099	\$ 548,569	\$ 7,098	\$ 2,870,284	\$ 4,507,447
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES						
Liabilities:						
Payroll Withholding Payable	\$ 860	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 860
Due to Other Funds	202,397	0	0	0	0	202,397
Interfund Loans Payable - Note 3	6,825	0	19,480	0	0	26,305
Deferred Revenue - Note 5	2,100	159,500	0	0	0	161,600
Due to Others	0	0	0	7,098	0	7,098
Notes Payable - Note 6	0	0	0	0	2,870,284	2,870,284
Total Liabilities	212,182	159,500	19,480	7,098	2,870,284	3,268,544
Fund Balances:						
Restricted - Note 7	0	76,729	429,175	0	0	505,904
Unrestricted:						
Designated - Note 8	51,880	243,870	117,974	0	0	413,724
Undesignated	337,335	0	(18,060)	0	0	319,275
Total Fund Balances	389,215	320,599	529,089	0	0	1,238,903
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 601,397	\$ 480,099	\$ 548,569	\$ 7,098	\$ 2,870,284	\$ 4,507,447

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

TOWN OF WEST RUTLAND, VERMONT
COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
(ARISING FROM CASH TRANSACTIONS)
ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2000

Exhibit II

	General Fund	Special Revenue Funds	Capital Projects Funds	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Cash Receipts:				
Property Taxes	\$ 801,934	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 801,934
Penalties and Interest on Delinquent Taxes	41,529	0	0	41,529
Intergovernmental	116,867	74,394	562,917	754,178
Investment Income	19,069	7,757	35,812	62,638
Charges for Services	31,620	458,424	0	490,044
Licenses, Fees & Fines	28,201	5,642	0	33,843
Miscellaneous Receipts	14,787	5,675	136	20,598
Sale of Equipment	0	0	3,500	3,500
Total Cash Receipts	1,054,007	551,892	602,365	2,208,264
Cash Disbursements:				
General Government	300,925	585	0	301,510
Highway	313,988	0	0	313,988
Sewer	0	218,138	0	218,138
Water	0	120,910	0	120,910
Auxiliary Services	59,482	0	0	59,482
Recreation	14,927	0	0	14,927
Public Safety	64,971	0	0	64,971
Appropriations - Note 9	35,494	0	0	35,494
Loan Expense	0	27,500	0	27,500
Capital Outlay	0	0	2,701,066	2,701,066
Debt Service:				
Principal	38,195	56,644	0	94,839
Interest	1,636	26,900	0	28,536
Total Cash Disbursements	829,618	450,677	2,701,066	3,981,361
Excess/(Deficiency) of Cash Receipts Over Cash Disbursements	224,389	101,215	(2,098,701)	(1,773,097)
Other Financing Sources/(Uses):				
Transfer from School District - Note 10	1,608	0	0	1,608
Transfer from Fire District - Note 11	1,860	41,751	33,757	77,368
Operating Transfers In	0	4,700	84,000	88,700
Operating Transfers Out	(79,000)	(9,700)	0	(88,700)
Total Other Financing Sources/(Uses)	(75,532)	36,751	117,757	78,976
Excess/(Deficiency) of Cash Receipts and Other Financing Sources Over Cash Disbursements and Other Financing Uses	148,857	137,966	(1,980,944)	(1,694,121)
Fund Balances - July 1, 1999	240,358	182,633	2,510,033	2,933,024
Fund Balances - June 30, 2000	\$ 389,215	\$ 320,599	\$ 529,089	\$ 1,238,903

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

TOWN OF WEST RUTLAND, VERMONT
STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND CASH DISBURSEMENTS
BUDGETARY BASIS
(ARISING FROM CASH TRANSACTIONS)
BUDGET AND ACTUAL
GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2000

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	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Cash Receipts:			
Property Taxes	\$ 763,406	\$ 801,934	\$ 38,528
State Aid Highway	69,000	75,384	6,384
Railroad Tax	600	804	204
Sewer Administration	20,000	20,000	0
Ordinance Fines	4,000	3,843	(157)
Solid Waste Fees	400	320	(80)
Clerk Fees	12,000	14,600	2,600
Zoning Fees	3,000	3,073	73
Copier Fees	400	608	208
Dog Licenses	1,100	1,163	63
Treasurer's Salary-School	5,197	5,197	0
Interest	8,000	19,069	11,069
Town Hall Rent	2,400	2,400	0
Liquor Licenses	600	830	230
Delinquent Tax Interest and Penalty	9,750	41,529	31,779
Permits	100	235	135
Phone Reimbursement	600	1,251	651
Miscellaneous	7,000	4,486	(2,514)
Recreation-Summer	1,600	4,353	2,753
Town Clerk Restoration	1,500	1,548	48
State Land Use	0	3,582	3,582
Paving/Culvert Grant	0	24,000	24,000
Planning Grant	0	7,900	7,900
Fire Fund Donations	0	9,050	9,050
Fire Department Services	0	4,867	4,867
Total Cash Receipts	910,653	1,052,026	141,373

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

TOWN OF WEST RUTLAND, VERMONT
STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND CASH DISBURSEMENTS
BUDGETARY BASIS
(ARISING FROM CASH TRANSACTIONS)
BUDGET AND ACTUAL
GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2000

	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Cash Disbursements:			
Administration:			
Manager's Salary	\$ 38,698	\$ 39,442	\$ (744)
Manager's Expense	2,500	2,495	5
Treasurer's Salary	9,656	9,842	(186)
Office Back Up	3,600	3,414	186
Town Clerk Salary	19,674	20,052	(378)
Town Clerk Supplies	1,850	1,713	137
Town Clerk Expense/Restoration	1,500	393	1,107
New Copier	3,000	3,440	(440)
Town Official Expense	1,600	1,690	(90)
Listers	6,500	6,104	396
Selectmen Salary	3,100	3,100	0
Zoning Administrator Salary	9,715	9,902	(187)
Health Officer Salary	1,200	1,200	0
Planning/Zoning Salary	2,000	2,226	(226)
On Site Septic Officer	0	250	(250)
Bookkeeper/Secretary Salary	30,378	30,960	(582)
Auditing	5,600	6,600	(1,000)
Elections	1,000	853	147
Tax Billing	750	369	381
Data Processing	3,500	4,168	(668)
Legal Fees	6,750	7,320	(570)
Office Supplies	2,250	2,945	(695)
Postage	2,245	1,338	907
Town Report	2,300	2,941	(641)
Advertising	2,750	2,682	68
Telephone	3,000	2,772	228
Delinquent Tax Expense	500	323	177
Regional Planning	500	500	0
VLCT Dues	1,446	1,446	0
Newsletters	750	893	(143)
Miscellaneous	4,500	5,176	(676)
Total Administration	172,812	176,549	(3,737)

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TOWN OF WEST RUTLAND, VERMONT
STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND CASH DISBURSEMENTS
BUDGETARY BASIS
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BUDGET AND ACTUAL
GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2000

	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Highway:			
Equipment Savings Transfers	\$ 35,000	\$ 35,000	\$ 0
Labor	88,200	86,213	1,987
Uniforms	1,775	2,394	(619)
Salt	34,500	21,204	13,296
Sand	10,250	8,089	2,161
Engineering	3,000	9,601	(6,601)
Culverts	5,000	2,302	2,698
Gravel	16,500	10,801	5,699
Hot Mix	1,000	709	291
Resurfacing	35,000	34,195	805
Chloride	4,000	3,935	65
Cold Patch	3,000	467	2,533
Emergency Maintenance	0	6,559	(6,559)
Lawn Maintenance	5,500	6,955	(1,455)
Tree Work	750	265	485
Traffic Signs	1,500	1,627	(127)
Tools and Miscellaneous	2,500	2,610	(110)
Equipment Rental	22,500	19,547	2,953
Bridges	4,500	0	4,500
Sidewalk Grant	0	4,596	(4,596)
Catch Basin Cleaning	3,000	2,000	1,000
Walk Recycling	3,000	0	3,000
Channel Maintenance	2,500	0	2,500
Sidewalk Repair	10,000	1,876	8,124
Street Cleaning	6,000	3,781	2,219
Pavement Marking	2,500	595	1,905
Training	250	150	100
Gas, Oil, Diesel	5,750	6,594	(844)
Repair Parts	6,000	2,594	3,406
Outside Repairs	5,000	4,052	948
Tires, Chains, Batteries	4,250	546	3,704
Plow Blades	1,500	1,403	97
Tools and Equipment	2,750	3,118	(368)
Radios	500	210	290
ISTEA Grant (Town Match)	18,000	0	18,000
Total Highway	345,475	283,988	61,487

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TOWN OF WEST RUTLAND, VERMONT
STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND CASH DISBURSEMENTS
BUDGETARY BASIS
(ARISING FROM CASH TRANSACTIONS)
BUDGET AND ACTUAL
GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2000

	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Fire Department:			
Fire Service Reimbursement	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000	\$ 0
Office Supplies	400	254	146
Postage	50	14	36
Tools	2,000	157	1,843
Vehicle Fuel	800	366	434
Consumable Supplies	200	214	(14)
Advertising	100	0	100
Phone	2,000	1,438	562
Training & Dues	1,000	388	612
Vehicle Insurance	7,750	4,373	3,377
Workman's Compensation	1,200	235	965
Liability Insurance	2,250	2,491	(241)
Accident & Sickness	1,200	1,892	(692)
Purchased Services	1,500	958	542
Professional Services	200	0	200
Rentals	150	0	150
Building Maintenance	6,000	2,387	3,613
Taxes	250	70	180
CVPS - Station	1,100	1,218	(118)
Heating Fuel	1,200	878	322
Building Improvements	6,000	3,909	2,091
Capital Purchases	5,000	19,199	(14,199)
Total Fire Department	46,350	46,441	(91)
Insurance/Benefits:			
BC/BS	32,450	34,137	(1,687)
FICA	18,669	18,200	469
Vehicles	3,004	0	3,004
Worker's Compensation	7,500	4,638	2,862
Liabilities and Buildings	8,250	2,029	6,221
VMERS	10,450	10,712	(262)
Unemployment Compensation	1,545	1,478	67
Disability	2,350	1,932	418
Bond	1,349	1,349	0
Public Officials Liability	2,579	3,423	(844)
Law Enforcement Liability	900	0	900
Total Insurance/Benefits	89,046	77,898	11,148

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TOWN OF WEST RUTLAND, VERMONT
STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND CASH DISBURSEMENTS
BUDGETARY BASIS
(ARISING FROM CASH TRANSACTIONS)
BUDGET AND ACTUAL
GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2000

	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Auxiliary Services:			
Street, Traffic Light	\$ 39,500	\$ 38,490	\$ 1,010
Solid Waste Management	4,000	2,379	1,621
Library	18,500	18,500	0
Humane Society	500	38	462
Memorial Day	250	75	175
Forest Fires	450	0	450
Total Auxiliary Services	63,200	59,482	3,718
Town Garage:			
Fuel Oil	1,250	1,126	124
Repairs	2,500	1,022	1,478
Telephone	600	438	162
CVPS	450	74	376
Garage Upgrade Reserve	10,000	10,000	0
Total Town Garage	14,800	12,660	2,140
Town Hall:			
Cleaning Services	2,600	2,600	0
CVPS	4,500	3,514	986
Miscellaneous	2,000	2,371	(371)
Fuel Oil	3,000	2,773	227
Maintenance Labor	2,000	2,268	(268)
Electrical	500	902	(402)
Improvements/Reserves	10,000	10,000	0
Total Town Hall	24,600	24,428	172
Public Safety:			
Sheriff Services	7,400	7,189	211
Constable	4,830	2,403	2,427
Police Animal Control	3,120	2,355	765
Police Mileage	1,000	344	656
Police Equipment	2,000	1,711	289
Car Storage	0	750	(750)

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TOWN OF WEST RUTLAND, VERMONT
STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND CASH DISBURSEMENTS
BUDGETARY BASIS
(ARISING FROM CASH TRANSACTIONS)
BUDGET AND ACTUAL
GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2000

	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Public Safety/(Cont'd):			
Police Telephone	\$ 1,000	\$ 662	\$ 338
Police Training	300	10	290
D.A.R.E. Program	500	482	18
Emergency Management	400	505	(105)
Special Police	750	2,119	(1,369)
Police Coverage 2000 Fund	4,000	4,000	0
Constable Vehicle Repayment	3,250	3,250	0
Total Public Safety	28,550	25,780	2,770
Recreation:			
CVPS	730	815	(85)
Telephone	250	411	(161)
Labor	7,000	7,614	(614)
Supplies	2,900	2,972	(72)
Facility Maintenance	2,000	1,545	455
Construction	2,500	1,570	930
Total Recreation	15,380	14,927	453
County Tax	10,470	10,517	(47)
Debt Service:			
School Deficit Note Payment	40,000	36,976	3,024
Land Purchase - Dodds	2,139	1,247	892
Total Debt Service	42,139	38,223	3,916
Other:			
Tree Warden	0	250	(250)
Economic Development	7,500	3,656	3,844
Green Up Vermont	150	150	0
Town Tree Planting	3,000	0	3,000
Property Mapping	2,000	3,034	(1,034)
Cemetery Maintenance	3,000	1,996	1,004
Town Plan Update	0	7,806	(7,806)
Total Other	15,650	16,892	(1,242)

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STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND CASH DISBURSEMENTS
BUDGETARY BASIS
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BUDGET AND ACTUAL
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	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Appropriations:			
Community Playground	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 0
Fire District Transfer	20,000	20,000	0
Paving Improvements	65,000	65,000	0
BROC	1,250	1,250	0
Southwest Agency on Aging	1,500	1,500	0
Adult Education	1,200	1,200	0
Retarded Citizens - Rutland	300	300	0
RSVP	400	400	0
RAVNA/Hospice	4,800	4,800	0
Regional Ambulance	12,240	12,240	0
West Rutland Development	5,000	5,000	0
Rutland Area Community Services	3,304	3,304	0
Rural Economic Development Corporation	500	500	0
Total Appropriations	120,494	120,494	0
Total Cash Disbursements	988,966	908,279	80,687
Excess/(Deficiency) of Cash Receipts Over Cash Disbursements - Notes 12 & 13	\$ (78,313)	\$ 143,747	\$ 222,060

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The Town of West Rutland, Vermont operates under a selectmen/town manager form of government and provides the following services: public safety, highways and streets, sewage treatment, water services, community development, recreation, public improvements, planning and zoning, and general administrative services.

The Town, for financial reporting purposes, includes all of the funds and account groups relevant to the operations of the Town of West Rutland. The financial statements presented herein do not include agencies which have been formed under applicable state laws or separate and distinct units of government apart from the Town of West Rutland.

Note 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting policies of the Town of West Rutland, Vermont conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governments, except as noted below. The following is a summary of the more significant policies.

A. REPORTING ENTITY

The criteria of oversight responsibility, special financing relationships and scope of public service was used in determining the agencies or entities which comprise the Town for financial reporting purposes. Oversight responsibility is determined by the extent of financial interdependency, control over the selection of the governing authority and management, ability to significantly influence operations and accountability for fiscal matters. Based on these criteria, there are no agencies or entities which should be combined with the financial statements of the Town.

B. FUND ACCOUNTING

The accounts of the Town are organized on the basis of funds and account groups, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenue, and expenditures, or expenses, as appropriate. Government resources are allocated to and accounted for in individual funds based upon the purposes for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled. The various funds are grouped, in the financial statements in this report, into two (2) fund types and four (4) fund categories as follows:

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Note 1:
(Cont'd)

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

General Fund - The General Fund is the general operating fund of the Town. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

Special Revenue Funds - Special Revenue Funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources (other than special assessments, expendable trusts, or major capital projects) that are legally restricted or designated for expenditures for specified purposes. The Town's Special Revenue Funds are the Sewer Fund, Water Fund, Industrial Development Revolving Loan Fund, Community Development Fund, Sewer Impact Fund, Restoration Fund and Reappraisal Fund.

The Town does not record property, plant and equipment and long-term debt in the Sewer Fund and Water Fund, and accordingly, these funds are reported as a Special Revenue fund type.

Capital Projects Funds - Capital Projects Funds are used to account for financial resources to be used for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities. The Town's Capital Projects Funds are the Handicapped Accessibility Fund, Sewer Equipment Fund, Highway Equipment Fund, Sewer Upgrade Fund, Capital Improvements Fund and Fire Department Equipment Fund.

FIDUCIARY FUNDS

Agency Funds - Agency funds are used to account for assets held by the Town as an agent for individuals, other governments and/or other funds. Agency funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations.

C. CASH AND INVESTMENTS

Cash includes amounts in demand deposits as well as short-term investments with a maturity date within three months of the date acquired by the Town.

Cash balances of the General, Water and Sewer Funds are pooled and invested by the Town Treasurer. Excess cash of individual funds are shown as due from other funds and excess cash withdrawals are shown as due to other funds.

D. BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

Basis of accounting refers to when revenue and expenditures are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurement made, regardless of the measurement focus applied.

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Note 1:
(Cont'd)

The Town's policy is to prepare its financial statements on the basis of cash receipts and disbursements, consequently, certain revenue and related assets are recognized when received rather than when earned, and certain expenditures and related liabilities are recognized when paid rather than when the obligation is incurred. The exception to this is that the Town records property taxes paid in advance as deferred revenue and recognizes the revenue in the year billed.

E. INTERFUND RECEIVABLES AND PAYABLES

Transactions between funds that represent balances of lending/borrowing arrangements outstanding are referred to as "Interfund Receivables/Payables". All other outstanding balances arising from transactions in the ordinary course of operations are reported as "Due To/Froms".

F. FIXED ASSETS AND LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

The accounting and reporting treatment applied to the fixed assets associated with a fund are determined by its measurement focus. Governmental funds are accounted for on a spending or "financial flow" measurement focus. This means that only current assets and current liabilities are generally included on their balance sheets. The reported fund balance (net current assets) is considered a measure of "available spendable resources". The operating statement presents increases (revenue and other financing sources) and decreases (expenditures and other financing uses) in net current assets. Accordingly, they are said to present a summary of sources and uses of "available spendable resources" during a period.

Fixed assets used in Governmental Fund type operations (general fixed assets) should be accounted for in the General Fixed Assets Account Group.

The Town of West Rutland does not maintain the historical cost information needed for the establishment of a Statement of General Fixed Assets.

Because of their spending measurement focus, expenditure recognition for Governmental Fund types is limited to exclude amounts represented by noncurrent liabilities. Since they do not affect net current assets, such long-term amounts are not recognized as Governmental Fund type expenditures or fund liabilities. They are instead reported as liabilities in the General Long-Term Debt Account Group.

The two account groups are not "funds". They are concerned only with the measurement of financial position. They are not involved with measurement of results of operations.

G. BUDGETS AND BUDGETARY ACCOUNTING

The Town approves a budget for the General Fund at the Annual Town Meeting and the tax rate is determined by the Board of Selectmen based on the budget and Grand List.

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Note 1:
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H. TOTAL COLUMNS ON COMBINED STATEMENTS - OVERVIEW

Total Columns on Combined Statements - Overview are captioned "Memorandum Only" to indicate that they are presented only to facilitate financial analysis. Data in these columns do not present financial position, results of operations, or changes in financial position in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. Neither is such data comparable to a consolidation. Interfund eliminations have not been made in the aggregation of this data.

I. FUND BALANCES

Fund balances of Governmental Fund types are classified in three separate categories. The categories, and their general meanings, are as follows:

Restricted Fund Balance - Indicate that a portion of fund equity is restricted for a specific use by a grant, contract, or other binding agreement.

Designated Fund Balance - Indicates that portion of fund equity for which the Town has made tentative plans.

Undesignated Fund Balance - Indicates that portion of fund equity which is available for appropriation and expenditure in future periods.

J. OPERATING TRANSFERS

Operating transfers are legally authorized transfers from a fund receiving revenue to the fund through which the resources are to be expended.

Note 2:

CASH

The cash deposits consisted of the following:

	<u>Book Balance</u>	<u>Bank Balance</u>
Insured (FDIC)	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000
Uninsured, Collateralized by Mortgaged Backed Securities and U.S. Government Securities Held in the Bank's Account at the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston	1,148,952	1,165,906
Cash on Hand	<u>9</u>	<u>N/A</u>
	<u>\$1,248,961</u>	<u>\$1,265,906</u>

The difference between the book balance and the bank balance is due to reconciling items such as deposits in transit and outstanding checks.

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Note 3: INTERFUND LOANS RECEIVABLE/PAYABLE

The General Fund borrowed \$10,075 from the Sewer Equipment Fund in 1999 to assist in the purchase of a police cruiser. The current balance of this loan is \$6,825. The Town intends to pay \$3,250 in fiscal years 2001 and then pay \$3,575 plus the total amount of interest the Sewer Equipment Fund would have earned in fiscal year 2002.

The Fire Equipment Fund borrowed \$19,480 from the Water Fund in 1999 to purchase a parcel of land. Repayment terms have not been finalized, however, it is the Town's intent to be repaying this in fiscal year 2001.

Note 4: LOANS RECEIVABLE

Loans Receivable consist of the following:

Loan Receivable, West Rutland Neighborhood Housing Services (NHS) with the express purpose of relending to individuals or entities for Community Development purposes. In exchange for revolving loan fund and project management services provided to the Town by NHS, the Town agrees that any and all interest accruing from either loan repayments or funds available to be loaned shall be specifically assigned to NHS in support of the above referenced services. The interest rate is 3%. This loan is considered to be deferred revenue until repaid

\$100,000

Loan Receivable, West Rutland Development Corporation, Interest at 0%, Loan is Deferred and Due upon Sale of Industrial Park Property. This loan is considered to be deferred revenue until repaid

\$9,500

Total Loans Receivable

\$109,500

Note 5: DEFERRED REVENUE

Deferred revenue in the General Fund of \$2,100 consists of property taxes received in the current fiscal year which are for fiscal year 2001.

Deferred revenue in the Special Revenue Funds consist of the loans receivable as described in Note 4. The revenue will be recognized as the loans are repaid to the Town.

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Note 6: NOTES PAYABLE

Notes Payable consist of the following:

Bond Payable - Water System Improvements,
Payable to the Vermont Municipal Bond Bank,
Semi-Annual Principal Payments Ranging from
\$50,643 to \$71,661, Various Interest Rates
Ranging from 8.7% to 10.8% Payable Semi-Annually
on June 1 and December 1, Due December, 2004

\$ 306,906

Note Payable - Economic Development
Administration, Annual Principal Payment
of \$6,000, Interest at 4%, Due
December 31, 2004

29,490

Note Payable - Vermont Environmental
Protection Agency Pollution Control Revolving
Loan Fund, Sewer Upgrade, Authorized
for Sewer Upgrade up to \$2,540,509 Interest at 0%.
\$127,025 Due Annually Beginning December, 2001,
Due December 2020

2,033,019

Bond Anticipation Note Payable - Charter One Bank,
Sewer Upgrade Project, Interest at 4.65%, this Note
will be Paid Using Proceeds from the Vermont Municipal
Bond Bank

500,869

Total Notes Payable

\$2,870,284

The Town anticipates the maturities to be as follows:

Year Ending June 30,	Principal	Interest	Total
2001	\$ 61,573	\$ 23,480	\$ 85,053
2002	187,257	19,482	206,739
2003	190,798	14,290	205,088
2004	200,692	7,930	208,622
2005	204,176	2,352	206,528
Thereafter	1,524,919	0	1,524,919
Unknown	<u>500,869</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>500,869</u>
Total	<u>\$2,870,284</u>	<u>\$ 67,534</u>	<u>\$2,937,818</u>

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Note 6:
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Reconciliation of Notes Payable

Balance July 1, 1999	Additions	Deletions	Balance June 30, 2000
* <u>\$2,965,123</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 94,839</u>	<u>\$2,870,284</u>

* This amount has been increased by \$357,549 for the amount transferred in as a result of the merger with the Fire District.

At the annual meeting in March, 1998, the Town voters approved a \$2,540,509 bond issue to upgrade the Town's wastewater treatment facility.

Note 7: RESTRICTED FUND BALANCES

The Restricted Fund Balances are as follows:

Special Revenue Funds:

Restricted for Industrial Development	
Revolving Loan Fund by Grant Agreement	\$ 31,634
Restricted for Sewer Expansion by Impact Fees	<u>45,095</u>
Total Special Revenue Funds	<u>76,729</u>

Capital Projects Funds:

Restricted for Sewer Upgrade - Bond Proceeds	<u>429,175</u>
Total Restricted Fund Balances	<u>\$ 505,904</u>

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Note 8:

DESIGNATED FUND BALANCES

The Designated Fund Balances are as follows:

General Fund:

Designated to Reduce Property Taxes in Fiscal Year 2001	\$ 25,000
Designated for Sidewalk Repairs	8,880
Designated for ISTEA Grant Match	<u>18,000</u>
Total General Fund	<u>51,880</u>

Special Revenue Funds:

Designated to Reduce Sewer Fees in Fiscal Year 2001	30,000
Designated for Sewer Debt Service	53,505
Designated for Sewer Fund Expenses	28,431
Designated for Water Fund	41,457
Designated for Water Fund Capital	67,436
Designated for Restoration of Records	2,108
Designated for Reappraisal Fund Expenses	<u>20,933</u>
Total Special Revenue Funds	<u>243,870</u>

Capital Projects Funds:

Designated for Handicapped Accessibility Expenses	5,333
Designated for Sewer Equipment Expenses	62,847
Designated for Equipment Expenses	10,882
Designated for Capital Improvements - Garage	20,382
Designated for Capital Improvements - Town Hall	13,704
Designated for Capital Improvements - Police	<u>4,826</u>
Total Capital Projects Funds	<u>117,974</u>
Total Designated Fund Balances	<u>\$413,724</u>

The negative fund balance of \$18,060 in the Fire Department Equipment Fund will be funded through future appropriations from the General Fund.

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Note 9: APPROPRIATIONS

Appropriations paid from the General Fund were approved at Town Meeting as follows:

<u>Article</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>	<u>Amount</u>
7	West Rutland Development	\$ 5,000
8	Southwest Agency on Aging	1,500
9	RSVP	400
10	RAVNA/Hospice	4,800
11	Regional Ambulance	12,240
12	Rutland Area Community Services	3,304
13	Rural Economic Development Corporation	500
14	Rutland County Adult Basic Education	1,200
15	Community Playground	5,000
16	BROC	1,250
17	Retarded Citizens-Rutland Area	300
	Total	<u>\$ 35,494</u>

Note 10: TRANSFER FROM SCHOOL DISTRICT

The Transfer from School District of \$1,608 represents the interest related to the School deficit reduction note that the Town issued in June of 1996. The Town is the maker of the note, however, the School District will fund the interest payments annually.

Note 11: TRANSFER FROM FIRE DISTRICT

On July 1, 1999, the West Rutland Fire District No. 1 merged with the Town of West Rutland. The Town received cash totaling \$77,368 and assumed long-term debt of \$357,549.

Note 12: BUDGETED DEFICITS

The Town elected to budget cash disbursements in excess of cash receipts by \$78,313 and \$44,021 in the General Fund and Sewer Fund, respectively, in order to reduce the prior year's surpluses. These are reflected as a current year's budgeted deficiency of cash receipts over cash disbursements in Exhibits III and Schedule 3.

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JUNE 30, 2000

Note 13: RECONCILIATION OF BUDGETARY STATEMENTS

The "budget versus actual" statements of the General Fund has been prepared to conform with its budget. Therefore, to conform with their basis of accounting, certain adjustments are necessary. The following are the adjustments which reconcile the budgetary statements with their cash basis statements.

General Fund

Excess of Revenue Over Expenditures - Budgetary Basis - Exhibit III	\$143,747
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Adjustments:

Payment on Interfund Loan for Police Cruiser	3,250
Transfer from Fire District	<u>1,860</u>

Excess of Revenue and Other Financing Sources Over Expenditures - Exhibit II	<u>\$148,857</u>
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Note 14: RETIREMENT PLAN

All employees of the Town of West Rutland, who have been employed for one year and are required to join, are covered under the State of Vermont Municipal Employees' Retirement Plan. All employees are part of Plan B which withholds 5% of gross wages while the Town contributes 5.6% to the plan.

The Town of West Rutland pays all costs accrued each year for the plan. The premise of this plan is to provide a retirement plan covering municipal employees at a uniform state-wide contribution rate based upon an actuarial valuation of all State of Vermont municipal employees. Activity in this plan is done in the aggregate, not by municipality. Due to the nature of this pension plan, net assets available for benefits as well as present value of vested and nonvested plan benefits by municipality are not determinable.

Total payroll for the year was \$322,654. Total payroll covered by the Plan was \$212,425. The Town's contribution to the plan for the year ending June 30, 2000 was \$11,896.

TOWN OF WEST RUTLAND, VERMONT
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Note 15: INVESTMENTS - DEFERRED COMPENSATION

The Town has a deferred compensation plan for their Town Manager through the International City Managers' Association's (ICMA) Retirement Corporation in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 457. The Plan permits the Town Manager to defer a portion of his salary until future years. The Town also contributes 5.6% of the Town Manager's salary to the Plan. The Town's contribution to the plan for June 30, 2000 was \$2,367. Deferred compensation is not available to employees until termination, retirement, or death. The Town has no liability for losses under the plan, but does have the duty of due care that would be required of an ordinary prudent investor. The balance of the assets in the Plan, at fair market value, as of June 30, 2000 was \$19,258.

Note 16: PROPERTY TAXES

Property taxes are due in three equal installments on August 15, November 14 and May 15. Interest is assessed at 1% per month after each respective due date and a penalty of 8% is assessed when the taxes become delinquent on May 16th. The Town of West Rutland, Vermont bills and collects its own property taxes and also for the School District, Sewer, Fire Protection and Appropriations. Town tax revenue is recognized when cash is received. For the year ended June 30, 2000, the tax rate is as follows:

Municipal	.8490
State Education	1.0788
Local Education	<u>.3528</u>
 Total Tax Rate/Per \$100 of Assessed Valuation	 <u>\$2.2806</u>

TOWN OF WEST RUTLAND, VERMONT
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Note 17: RISK MANAGEMENT

The Town of West Rutland is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The Town of West Rutland maintains commercial insurance coverage through a local broker. Management believes such coverage is sufficient to preclude any significant uninsured losses to the Town of West Rutland. Settled claims have not exceeded this coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

In addition, the Town of West Rutland is a member of Vermont League of Cities and Towns Health Trust. The Health Trust is a nonprofit corporation formed to provide health insurance and wellness programs for Vermont municipalities and is owned by the participating members. The agreement does not permit the Health Trust to make additional assessments to its members.

The Town of West Rutland is also a member of the Vermont League of Cities and Towns Unemployment Insurance Trust. The Unemployment Trust is a nonprofit corporation formed to provide unemployment coverage for Vermont municipalities and is owned by the participating members. The agreement does not permit the Unemployment Trust to make additional assessments to its members.

Note 18: OPERATING LEASES

The Town has entered into two operating leases. One is with Ikon Office Solutions for a copier which requires quarterly payments of \$771. The other lease is with Municipal Leasing Consulting for a fire truck which requires annual payments of \$20,361 through July, 2005. Future minimum lease payments are as follows:

	<u>Copier</u>	<u>Fire Truck</u>	<u>Total</u>
2001	\$3,084	\$20,361	\$23,445
2002	3,084	20,361	23,445
2003	0	20,361	20,361
2004	0	20,361	20,361
2005	0	20,361	20,361
2006	0	20,361	20,361

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We have audited the general purpose financial statements of the Town of West Rutland, Vermont as of and for the year ended June 30, 2000 and have issued our report thereon dated July 14, 2000. These general purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Town of West Rutland, Vermont's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general purpose financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the general purpose financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Our audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole. The combining and individual fund financial statements listed in the Table of Contents as Schedules 1-5 are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the general purpose financial statements of the Town of West Rutland, Vermont. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly presented in all material respects in relation to the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole.

July 14, 2000
Montpelier, Vermont

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TOWN OF WEST RUTLAND, VERMONT
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS
COMBINING STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES
(ARISING FROM CASH TRANSACTIONS)
JUNE 30, 2000

	Sewer Fund	Water Fund	Industrial Development Revolving Loan Fund	Community Development Fund	Sewer Impact Fund	Recreation Fund	Reappraisal Fund	Total
ASSETS								
Cash	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 31,634	\$ 0	\$ 45,095	\$ 2,108	\$ 20,933	\$ 99,770
Due from Other Funds	111,936	82,413	0	0	0	0	0	201,349
Interest Loan Receivable	0	19,480	0	0	0	0	0	19,480
Loans Receivable	0	0	39,300	100,000	0	0	0	139,300
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 111,936	\$ 101,893	\$ 71,134	\$ 100,000	\$ 45,095	\$ 2,108	\$ 20,933	\$ 480,099
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES								
Liabilities:								
Deferred Revenues	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 39,300	\$ 100,000	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 139,300
Total Liabilities	0	0	39,300	100,000	0	0	0	139,300
Fund Balances:								
Restricted	0	0	31,634	0	45,095	0	0	76,729
Unrestricted	111,936	101,893	0	0	0	2,108	20,933	243,870
Designated	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Fund Balances	111,936	101,893	31,634	0	45,095	2,108	20,933	320,599
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$ 111,936	\$ 101,893	\$ 71,134	\$ 100,000	\$ 45,095	\$ 2,108	\$ 20,933	\$ 480,099

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

TOWN OF WEST RUTLAND, VERMONT
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS
COMBINING STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
(ARISING FROM CASH TRANSACTIONS)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2000

	Sewer Fund	Water Fund	Industrial Development Revolving Loan Fund	Community Development Fund	Sewer Impact Fund	Restoration Fund	Recapital Fund	Total
Cash Receipts:								
User Fees	\$ 267,472	\$ 189,732	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 1,220	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 458,424
Interest Income	1,861	1,150	2,256	0	1,784	18	679	7,098
Intergovernmental	0	67,436	0	0	0	0	6,958	74,494
Loan Repayment	0	0	2,500	0	0	0	0	2,500
Miscellaneous	0	3,175	0	0	0	0	0	3,175
Connection Fees	0	4,094	0	0	0	0	0	4,094
Restoration Fees	0	0	0	0	0	1,548	0	1,548
Total Cash Receipts	269,333	265,596	4,756	0	3,004	1,566	7,637	551,992
Cash Disbursements:								
Salaries	62,262	29,483	0	0	0	0	0	91,745
Payroll Taxes and Benefits	15,473	1,752	0	0	0	0	0	17,225
Administration Charge	20,000	0	0	0	0	0	0	20,000
Legal	473	0	0	0	0	0	0	473
Equipment Savings	0	14,166	0	0	0	0	0	14,166
Capital Improvements	0	17,461	0	0	0	0	0	17,461
Taxes	0	1,315	0	0	0	0	0	1,315
Permits	0	1,584	0	0	0	0	0	1,584
Maintenance	10,213	6,308	0	0	0	0	0	16,521
Insurance	5,312	3,886	0	0	0	0	0	9,198
Chemicals	5,124	0	0	0	0	0	0	5,124
Lab Equipment	479	0	0	0	0	0	0	479
Telephone	1,108	1,541	0	0	0	0	0	2,649
Fuel - CVPS	20,205	22,582	0	0	0	0	0	42,787
Contract Services	5,493	7,167	0	0	0	0	0	12,660
Fuel	3,222	469	0	0	0	0	0	3,691
Office Supplies	264	0	0	0	0	0	0	264
Supplies	0	1,564	0	0	0	0	0	1,564
Miscellaneous	4,797	1,227	0	0	0	583	0	6,607
Uniforms	1,038	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,038
Sludge Management	38,500	3	0	0	0	0	0	38,503
Retirement	3,551	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,551
Line Maintenance	18,624	9,090	0	0	0	0	0	27,714
Lost Expense	0	0	27,500	0	0	0	0	27,500
Debt Service	0	77,544	6,000	0	0	0	0	83,544
Meter Installation	0	1,312	0	0	0	0	0	1,312
Total Cash Disbursements	218,138	198,454	33,500	0	0	583	0	450,675
Excess/(Deficiency) of Cash Receipts Over Cash Disbursements	51,195	67,142	(28,744)	0	3,004	983	7,637	101,317
Other Financing Sources/(Uses):								
Transfer from Fire District	0	41,751	0	0	0	0	0	41,751
Operating Transfers In	0	0	0	0	4,700	0	0	4,700
Operating Transfers Out	(9,700)	0	0	0	0	0	0	(9,700)
Total Other Financing Sources/(Uses)	(9,700)	41,751	0	0	4,700	0	0	36,751
Excess/(Deficiency) of Cash Receipts and Other Financing Sources Over Cash Disbursements and Other Financing/(Uses)	41,495	108,893	(28,744)	0	7,704	983	7,637	138,068
Fund Balances - July 1, 1999	70,441	0	60,378	0	37,391	1,127	13,296	183,033
Fund Balances - June 30, 2000	\$ 111,936	\$ 108,893	\$ 31,634	\$ 0	\$ 45,095	\$ 2,110	20,933	\$ 320,591

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

TOWN OF WEST RUTLAND, VERMONT
STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
(ARISING FROM CASH TRANSACTIONS)
BUDGET AND ACTUAL
SPECIAL REVENUE FUND - SEWER FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2000

	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Cash Receipts:			
User Fees	\$ 220,000	\$ 213,967	\$ (6,033)
Bond Surcharge	0	53,505	53,505
Interest	0	1,861	1,861
Total Cash Receipts	220,000	269,333	49,333
Cash Disbursements:			
Salaries	60,750	62,262	(1,512)
Health Insurance	10,230	7,751	2,479
Disability Insurance	360	341	19
Workers Compensation	1,900	1,912	(12)
Unemployment	765	738	27
FICA	4,650	4,731	(81)
VMERS	3,400	3,551	(151)
Administrative Reimbursement	20,000	20,000	0
Legal	0	473	(473)
Vehicle Maintenance	700	769	(69)
Vehicle Insurance	1,000	0	1,000
Lab Chemicals	1,100	737	363
Sulfur Dioxide	1,500	1,507	(7)
Chlorine	2,500	2,580	(80)
Plant Maintenance	4,500	6,366	(1,866)
Plant Insurance	3,000	466	2,534
Pumpstation Maintenance	3,000	2,841	159
Sewer Line Maintenance	7,500	7,528	(28)
Emergency Maintenance	2,000	237	1,763
Engineering	1,500	616	884
Equipment Savings Transfers	5,000	5,000	0
Lab Equipment	600	479	121
Contract Services	5,400	5,493	(93)
Vehicle Fuel	1,050	1,004	46
Heating Fuel	2,050	2,218	(168)
Telephone	2,640	1,108	1,532
Office Supplies	250	264	(14)
Miscellaneous	2,500	2,785	(285)
Sludge Management	50,640	38,500	12,140
Training	625	465	160
Uniforms	840	1,038	(198)

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TOWN OF WEST RUTLAND, VERMONT
STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
(ARISING FROM CASH TRANSACTIONS)
BUDGET AND ACTUAL
SPECIAL REVENUE FUND - SEWER FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2000

	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
Cash Disbursements: (Cont'd)			
Boiler/Machine Insurance	\$ 1,500	\$ 0	\$ 1,500
Flood Insurance	4,400	4,846	(446)
Plant - CVPS	29,000	20,205	8,795
Bond Financing	4,700	4,700	0
Polymer	2,700	300	2,400
Paging Service	561	449	112
Water	2,000	0	2,000
Lawn Service	2,450	2,482	(32)
Elm Street	7,530	5,498	2,032
Harrison Avenue	2,400	1,485	915
Barnes Street	1,200	813	387
Baxter Street	600	595	5
Clarendon Avenue	1,250	1,425	(175)
Main Street	980	877	103
Thrall Avenue	400	162	238
Fairview Avenue	400	241	159
Total Cash Disbursements	264,021	227,838	36,183
Excess/(Deficiency) of Cash Receipts Over Cash Disbursements - Note 12	\$ (44,021)	41,495	\$ 85,516
Fund Balance - July 1, 1999		70,441	
Fund Balance - June 30, 2000		\$ 111,936	

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TOWN OF WEST RUTLAND, VERMONT
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS
COMBINING STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES
(ARISING FROM CASH TRANSACTIONS)
JUNE 30, 2000

	Handicapped Accessibility Fund	Sewer Equipment Fund	Highway Equipment Fund	Sewer Upgrade Fund	Capital Improvements Fund	Fire Department Equipment Fund	Total
ASSETS							
Cash	\$ 5,333	\$ 56,022	\$ 10,882	\$ 429,175	\$ 37,864	\$ 1,420	\$ 540,696
Due from Other Funds	0	0	0	0	1,048	0	1,048
Interfund Loan Receivable	0	6,825	0	0	0	0	6,825
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 5,333</u>	<u>\$ 62,847</u>	<u>\$ 10,882</u>	<u>\$ 429,175</u>	<u>\$ 38,912</u>	<u>\$ 1,420</u>	<u>\$ 548,569</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES							
Liabilities:							
Interfund Loan Payable	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 19,480	\$ 19,480
Total Liabilities	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>19,480</u>	<u>19,480</u>
Fund Balances:							
Restricted:	0	0	0	429,175	0	0	429,175
Unrestricted:							
Designated	5,333	62,847	10,882	0	38,912	0	117,974
Undesignated	0	0	0	0	0	(18,060)	(18,060)
Total Fund Balances	<u>5,333</u>	<u>62,847</u>	<u>10,882</u>	<u>429,175</u>	<u>38,912</u>	<u>(18,060)</u>	<u>529,089</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	<u>\$ 5,333</u>	<u>\$ 62,847</u>	<u>\$ 10,882</u>	<u>\$ 429,175</u>	<u>\$ 38,912</u>	<u>\$ 1,420</u>	<u>\$ 548,569</u>

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TOWN OF WEST RUTLAND, VERMONT
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS
COMBINING STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS AND
CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
(ARISING FROM CASH TRANSACTIONS)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2000

	Handicapped Accessibility Fund	Sewer Equipment Fund	Highway Equipment Fund	Sewer Upgrade Fund	Capital Improvements Fund	Fire Department Equipment Fund	Total
Cash Receipts:							
State Grant	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 562,917	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 562,917
Shedgo Press Sale	0	3,500	0	0	0	0	3,500
Donations	136	0	0	0	0	0	136
Interest Income	230	2,354	810	28,915	732	2,771	35,812
Total Cash Receipts	366	3,854	810	591,832	732	2,771	602,365
Cash Disbursements:							
Sewer Upgrade Expenses	0	0	0	2,547,063	0	0	2,547,063
Fire Truck	0	0	0	0	0	74,588	74,588
Equipment	0	6,543	70,235	0	0	0	76,778
Town Hall Expense	0	0	0	0	2,637	0	2,637
Total Cash Disbursements	0	6,543	70,235	2,547,063	2,637	74,588	2,701,066
Excess/(Deficiency) of Cash Receipts Over Cash Disbursements	366	(689)	(69,425)	(1,955,231)	(1,905)	(71,817)	(2,098,701)
Other Financing Sources:							
Transfer from Fire District	0	0	0	0	0	33,757	33,757
Operating Transfers In	0	5,000	35,000	0	24,000	20,000	84,000
Total Other Financing Sources	0	5,000	35,000	0	24,000	53,757	117,757
Excess/(Deficiency) of Cash Receipts and Other Financing Sources Over Cash Disbursements	366	4,311	(34,425)	(1,955,231)	22,095	(18,060)	(1,980,944)
Fund Balances - July 1, 1999	4,967	58,536	45,307	2,384,406	16,817	0	2,510,033
Fund Balances - June 30, 2000	\$ 5,333	\$ 62,847	\$ 10,882	\$ 429,175	\$ 38,912	\$ (18,060)	\$ 529,089

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this financial statement.

Schedule 1

PEDENOSI - HANDICAP ACCOUNT

July 1, 1999		\$ 4,966.97
Deposits	135.20	
Interest	230.30	
		365.80
Withdrawals		0.00
June 30, 2000		\$ 5,332.77

RESTORATION ACCOUNT

July 1, 1999		\$ 1,126.60
Deposits	1,548.25	
Interest	17.90	
		1566.15
Withdrawals		585.00
June 30, 2000		\$ 2107.75

REAPPRAISAL ACCOUNT

July 1, 1999		\$13,295.63
Deposits	6,958.00	
Interest	678.94	
		7636.94
Withdrawals		0.00
June 30, 2000		\$20,932.57

SEWER EQUIPMENT

July 1, 1999		\$48,460.66
Deposits	4,170.57	
Interest	2,354.16	
Sludge Press	3,500.00	
Loan-Repay	3250.00	
		13,274.73
Withdrawals		5,713.34
Trailer	1,700.00	
Backhoe	4,013.33	
June 30, 2000		56,022.05

HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT ACCOUNT

July 1, 1999		\$45,307.70
Deposits	35,000.00	
Interest	809.66	
		35,809.66
Withdrawals		70,235.34
International Truck	52,854.00	
Sander/Dump Body	13,368.00	
1/3 Backhoe	4,013.34	
June 30, 2000		\$10,882.02

SEWER IMPACT ACCOUNT

July 1, 1999		\$37,391.37
Deposits	4,700.00	
	1220.00	
Interest	1783.44	
		7,703.44
Withdrawals		0.00
June 30, 2000		\$45,094.81

INDUSTRIAL PARK REVOLVING

July 1, 1999		\$60,377.58
Deposits	2500.00	
Interest	2256.03	
		4,756.03
Withdrawals		33,500.00
EPA	6,000.00	
WRDC - Loan	2,000.00	
WRDC - Loan	25,000.00	
WRDC - Loan	500.00	
June 30, 2000		\$31,633.61

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT

July 1, 1999		\$16,817.06
Deposits	20,315.78	
Interest	731.51	
		21,047.29
Withdrawal		0.00
June 30, 2000		\$37,864.35

1999 - 2000 MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE

Insurance Refund	\$ 5,980.00
Oil Spill - Fire Dept.	4,867.25
Various Refunds	3,134.70
Permits/Reports	172.58
Town Report - School	630.38
Contributions	100.00
Copier	11.75

	\$14,896.66

1999 - 2000 MISCELLANEOUS EXPENDITURES

Tax Overpayments	\$ 3,364.35
Petty Cash	700.00
Funeral - Albert Tall	798.00
Files	327.23
Utilities	693.10
Reimbursements/Dues	156.83
"Wash Accounts"	
Marriage Lic/Rabies etc.	902.00
Sewer Impact/Restoration	2,768.25

	\$ 9709.76

Delinquent Property Taxes June 30, 2000

Name	Previous Years	1999-2000
Atwood, Donald		813.81
Audette, Gary		1327.31
Balestra, Eugene	* 71.48	109.50
Bartlett, John & Cynthia		* 6.61
Bartlett, Philip		* 200.00
Bennett, William & Mary	* 2114.44	* 2333.43
Bowen, Loreen	* 2741.02	* 3552.60
Brown, Gertrude	** 1027.50	* 245.29
Buonamano, Jeanette	* 848.79	** 867.03
Burke, John	* 964.54	** 2038.41
Butler, Bill & Tina		* 897.46
Cain, Angeline		* 321.60
Carlson, Judy		767.91
Central Vt. Motorcycle	86.48	
Chamberland, George		* 44.65
Cornelius, Robert & Barbara	** 961.93	483.72
Cressy, Clifton & Dilda	* 3233.42	* 1120.11
Czarnecki, Michael & Kathy		* 779.98
Daamen, Inc.		* 2850.01
Daley, Richard & Wendy	5227.92	3445.74
Daley, Richard & Wendy	* 2355.78	** 2651.34
Daley, Richard & Wendy	4040.76	4127.58
Davis, Albert & Theresa		* 398.25
DePinto, Ralph		1957.20
Donahoe, Edmund & Nancy	* 651.29	** 1452.69
Fairbanks, Linda		* 368.06
Flores, Mary Ann		* 1000.34
Funkhouser, Richard	62.52	
Gawet, Marie	** 6268.90	1126.66
Goodrich, Earle & Colleen		* 1367.00
Grandchamp, David & Joanne		* 305.45
Greene, Laurretta		* 951.47
Harris, Scott	** 1634.07	2011.02
Henske, Jean		* 405.90
Hickory, Robert & Linda		** 1284.60
Higgins, Patrick & Deborah		* 486.15
Higgins, Patrick & Deborah		* 420.08

**Delinquent Property Taxes
June 30, 2000**

Name	Previous Years	1999-2000
Kearney, Jean & William	* 493.31	** 1591.20
Kurant, John Jr. & Frances		* 1601.73
Loso, Francis & Beverly	** 2195.45	2096.13
MacIntyre, Wayne & Lorraine	* 248.13	** 2372.97
McNeil, Agnes		738.54
Mills, Connie		* 1411.64
Molaski, John Jr.	8711.01	1925.01
Molaski, John Jr. & Andrew	3834.94	1112.73
Nartowicz, Joseph & Carol		* 605.16
National Super Service	612.83	* 1747.05
O'Brien, Francis	14,113.18	1715.82
Radomski, Stanley		1639.80
Rigg, Joe	660.02	1971.00
Rochon, Ivan & Jessie	3268.80*	1499.58*
Rochon, Ivan & Jessie	3031.95*	1463.43*
Saulsbury, Jeffrey & Vicki		** 822.70
Sheridan, Michael & Lisa		1328.98
Sherman, Cecil	* 892.11	** 889.86
Sienicki, Louis & Mary		* 314.63
Sirak, David		* 1206.68
Smith, Greg & Celeste	* 943.46	** 1299.84
Stanislaus Associates	* 4037.03	
Terrell, Patricia Ann & Joe Riley		* 188.37
Thompson, Raymond & Lucy	* 1140.37	** 1275.74
Tucker, David		** 899.22
Tuliper, Edward & Linda		* 174.17
Van Driel, Peter & Tina	* 600.79	* 1680.87
Vincelette, Fernand & Mary	** 3944.68	1826.91
Webster, Teena	* 926.60	* 963.90
Williams, Ronald & Beth	** 2407.31	1621.01
Wortman, Clayton & Judy Carlson		* 388.65
Yatsik, James P. & Laquita		* 367.35
	<hr/> 84,352.81	<hr/> 81,259.63

* Paid

** Agreement

Totals do not include interest/penalty

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

The renovation of the Town Clerk's Office was the high point this year. We would like to thank the Friends of the Town Hall for their financial support. We kept the office's décor at the early 1900's and there are numerous historical pictures hung for viewing.

We also have been renovating the vault to bring it up to state standard. Another set of roller shelves has been added for the land records and shelving has been ordered to support the 1887-2000 plus Grand Lists and old poll tax books. This will give us more room and approved shelving. A ten year master plan has been started to bring the vault up to state standards.

This year 1,118 pages were recorded in the land record's book.

For further protection of the West Rutland's records, land records, vitals, maps, and town meeting books are microfilmed by the State and the microfilm is stored in a state vault facility in Middlesex, Vt. If for some unseen reason our books become damaged, the town has a back up.

The Town Clerk's Office went on a computer system for indexing Land Records and other documents July 1st. This system is faster and more accurate.

The Town Clerk's Office is doing car, boat, snowmobile and trailer registration renewals. This year we did 325. All you need to bring is your registration renewal, a check or money order made out to the DMV for the amount of the renewal and \$2.00 service fee for the Town. It takes less than five minutes and no one gets a ticket for a late registration.

Vital Statistics are an important job in the office. We continually receive calls from all over the United States for birth certificates, death certificates and marriage certificates. Our office is always open to genealogists and we enjoy assisting them to find their ancestors.

In order to get all 1,594 voters out to vote, our office accepts absentee ballot requests over the phone and walk-ins. We have Justices of the Peace who go out and deliver ballots the day before an election or the day of the election. Just call 438-2204 for a ballot.

This office has an open door, full service policy and we are here to serve you. Our hours are Monday through Friday, 9AM to 4:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Jayne L. Pratt, Town Clerk
Beverly Kupferer, Ass't Clerk

VITAL STATISTICS

	2000	1999	1998	1997	1996
BIRTHS	16	24	19	19	18
CIVIL UNIONS	0				
DEATHS	18	26	30	30	25
MARRIAGES	20	18	17	20	15

Due to the Town's liability exposure and the possible use of information fraudulently, the Vermont Department of Health has recommended against printing the names in the Vital Statistics section of the Town Report. The West Rutland Town Clerk's Office concurs with this policy. This policy has been in place since 1988.

Respectfully submitted,

Jayne L. Pratt, CVC
Town Clerk

DOG REPORT

337 dog tags were issued this year. \$1505.00 was collected for dog tags, \$180.00 for late fees, \$40.00 for kennel permits and \$322.00 for state fees for a total collection of \$2,047.00.

Don't forget the spring Rabies Clinic for dogs and cats. It will be February 17, 2000, 10 AM-12 Noon. Dr. Carini will be the veterinarian and the cost of the vaccine is \$7.00. Dog licenses will be sold at the Clinic, as well as at the March 6th Town Meeting Election.

When registering your dog you will need a rabies certificate signed by a licensed veterinarian stating the dog has a current approved vaccination against rabies. All dogs, six months or older, are to be registered annually on or before April 1st.

There is a RUTLAND AREA DISASTER ANIMAL RESPONSE TEAM (RADART) in our area. What is RADART? In case of disasters such as fire, floods, ice storms, or blizzards, tornadoes and hurricanes what happens to the animals? Most shelters do not allow people and pets to stay together. Pets and farm animals depend on us for their safety and well being. RADART is a group of volunteers working in a partnership with the Red Cross and Rutland County Humane Society to help individuals develop their own evacuation plan, and to respond to all animals needing rescue and assistance.

RADART meets the first Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM at the Red Cross Building at Howe Scale. RADART is also looking for people that can volunteer their time, expertise, materials or can shelter or transport animals. Meeting attendance is not mandatory to volunteer. For further information call Marilyn Sheldon at 773-5049.

Respectfully submitted,
Jayne L. Pratt
TOWN CLERK

Zoning Administrators Report

The breakdown of 2000 processed zoning permits is as follows:

7	Single Family Homes
10	Residential Garages
1	Mobil Home
1	Agricultural Structure
4	Change of Use
2	Demolition
5	Miscellaneous
3	Sub Divisions
4	Signs
8	Decks/Covered Porches
2	Fence
9	Residential Additions
1	Home Occupation
2	Commercial Project

A Zoning Permit is needed for new construction, additions, demolitions of a structure, signs, land filling and change of use of building or land.

Make sure you contact the Zoning Administrator when your project is finished so an inspection can be made and a certificate of occupancy is issued. Permits from 3/7/89 need a certificate of occupancy or use. Anyone financing now will be facing the question "Do you have your Certificate of Occupancy or Use". This is due to the Supreme Court Decision Bianchi v. Lorenz.

If you have any questions on Zoning please feel free to call me at 438-2204.

My office hours are 1:00 to 5:00 or by appointment.

Respectfully submitted,
Franklin B. Gorham, II
Zoning Administrator

West Rutland Planning Commission

The West Rutland Planning Commission (WRPC) is proud to announce and present the December 2000 West Rutland Town Plan, which has been newly adopted after a thorough review, many long nights, and weekly meetings. Public input was sought and received and your input helped to strengthen this important "road map" for our future.

While largely focused on bringing this document to cohesion, the WRPC could not rest on this effort alone. The year 2000 remained a time for growth. Proposed activity along Marble Street, in the West Rutland Industrial Park, and at the Westway Mall kept our commission busy planning for the future while more impending projects continued to demand immediate attention. We are pleased with the overall results of this effort and believe our Town's plan for growth is a strong one.

The year 2001 brings with it new demands. Goals for this coming year include revisions to existing zoning and subdivision regulations, now more than twenty years old, and working with Jason Simcock in his efforts to develop a web-site presence. Both projects, funded through a Municipal Planning Grant, should go a long way towards helping the Town to become more efficient and accessible.

The Planning Commission would like to extend its thanks to Mary Rajda for her long service to the commission. Her thoughtful comments and insight will be greatly missed. Good luck in the future Mary!

We have one open seat on the Commission and would love to see it filled. If you have an interest and desire in helping to set the course and direction of your community, please come join us. Our normally scheduled meetings are the first and third Wednesday of each month beginning at 6:00 p.m. If interested, please call the town office at 438-2204.

Darby Gorham, Chairperson
Steve Martin, Vice Chairperson
Thomas Ascoli
David McDevitt
Jayne Pratt
Don Ramey
Tony Tumielewicz
John Wallace

West Rutland Free Library Corp.
Statement of Activity and Fund Balance
As of and for the Year Ended December 31, 2000

	Unrestricted	Restricted
Revenues:		
Town of West Rutland	19,250	-
Minnie E. Proctor Trust	9,200	
Contributions	815	
Miscellaneous	167	
Interest	45	-
Dividends	4,079	-
	<u>33,556</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Revenues	33,556	-
Operating Expenses - Schedule Attached	(33,472)	-
Computer Equipment and Property Improvements	-	(4,384)
Revenues Over (Under) Expenses and Other	84	(4,384)
Capital Gains	-	102
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year	<u>1,152</u>	<u>101,132</u>
Fund Balance - End of Year	<u>1,236</u>	<u>96,850</u>
Fund Balance Consists of:		
Checking Account	424	-
Savings Account	455	-
Putnam Money Market	357	39,206
Putnam Investments	-	57,644
Total of Accounts	<u>\$ 1,236</u>	<u>\$ 96,850</u>

West Rutland Free Library Corp.
Schedule of Expenses
For the Year Ended December 31, 2000

Salaries and Wages	\$ 17,905
Adult Books	2,158
Juvenile Books	1,480
Electricity	1,488
Heating Oil	1,755
Magazines	912
Payroll Taxes	1,369
Insurance	1,186
Sundries	1,142
Postage	33
Office Supplies	94
Sewer Fee	330
Water	205
Safe Deposit Box and P.O. Box	78
Bank Service Charges	81
Petty Cash	400
Refunds	60
Computer Maintenance	60
Maintenance	1,706
Telephone	<u>1,030</u>
Total Expenses	<u>\$ 33,472</u>

WEST RUTLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY
THE SEVENTY-SECOND ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WEST RUTLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2000

BOOKS	<u>2000</u>	<u>1999</u>
IN THE LIBRARY DECEMBER 31, 2000	8,760	
NUMBER OF BOOKS ACQUIRED	345	406
NUMBER OF BOOKS DISCARDED		932
NUMBER OF BOOKS IN THE LIBRARY DEC. 31, 1999		8,415

CIRCULATION OF BOOKS AND PERIODICALS

	<u>2000</u>	<u>1999</u>
ADULT	5,049	5,122
JUVENILE	1,646	2,130
LARGEST DAILY CIRCULATION	75	108
SMALLEST DAILY CIRCULATION	3	2
AVERAGE DAILY CIRCULATION	27	10
NUMBER OF REGISTRATIONS	67	141
NUMBER OF DAYS OPEN	245	246
NUMBER OF PERIODICALS SUBSCRIBED TO	32	35
NUMBER OF VIDEOS	55	46
NUMBER OF BOOKS BORROWED FROM THE REGIONAL LIBRARY	1,333	1,164
BORROWED FROM OUR LIBRARY	24	25
THE COMMUNITY ROOMS WERE USED 36 TIMES DURING THE YEAR BY VARIOUS CLUBS AND PRIVATE PARTIES.		
THE COMMUNITY ROOMS ARE AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC USE BY CONTACTING THE LIBRARIAN.		
LIBRARY HOURS ARE: MON-WED-FRI 1:30-5:00 TUES-THURS 1:30-7:00.		

MARY WHITE, LIBRARIAN



West Rutland Fire Department
P.O. Box 206
West Rutland, VT 05777

2000-2001 Annual Report of the Fire Chief

The West Rutland Fire Department continued to meet the needs of our community with the outstanding support from our townspeople. Many improvements have been made this year within the fire department to maintain the high quality of emergency services that are provided to our citizens and visitors.

In the summer of 2000, the fire department took delivery of a new pumper/tanker. This truck replaced a 25 year old pumper which has served the town well, however, had reached the end of it's service life. The new truck is a combination pumper/tanker which expanded our capabilities by providing the ability to haul larger volumes of water and have an increased pumping capacity. This truck design places the features of two trucks into one, making this a very cost effective purchase. This feature enables us to provide better fire protection to those living in rural areas of town outside of the municipal water system where we are experiencing more development.

The fire department was successful in obtaining three grants this year totaling approximately \$2500. Two of the grants were awarded by the Vermont Department of Forest and Parks and was used to purchase equipment for forest and wild land fires. The third grant was awarded for the purchase of newer communications equipment and is money that was secured by Senator Jeffords for improving safety in the fire service.

During Fire Prevention Week, the fire department held it's annual Fire Safety Education Program at the West Rutland School. During this program, elementary students are taught important fire safety lessons concerning the dangers of fire and are shown what to do in the event of a fire. Our volunteers are proud to have provided this program to our town's schoolchildren for the 14th consecutive year.

The statewide 9-1-1 system has been working well for our town, however, emergency crews have had some difficulty in locating some addresses due to the fact that not all buildings are displaying an address number.

"We still make house calls"

We ask that all building owners display their proper 9-1-1 address in a location that is visible from the road. The numbers should be on the address side of the building, big enough to see from the road, and in a contrasting color from the background. Time is the most important factor in an emergency and we can't help you if we can't find you!

I would like to thank John Loso, Thomas Sawyer, and Jim Conway, who retired from the department this year, for their service to our community. I would also like to welcome Bob Geryk, who has rejoined the department this year after serving for 12 years previously. Congratulations to Brian Notte who was named as the recipient of the 2000 Firefighter of the Year Award. In 2000 the Town of West Rutland was served by over 160 years of combined service from our volunteer members. I would like to thank all of our volunteers for their dedication and endless commitment to our community and all of the citizens and organizations who have supported us throughout the year.

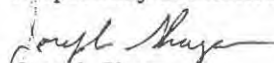
**Present members in
order of years of service:**

1972 Joseph Skaza	Chief
1978 Steve Czachor	
1984 Larry Smith	1st Assistant Chief
1987 Thomas Lacz	2nd Assistant Chief
1987 Christopher Jakubiak	
1989 Richard Pietryka	
1991 Pete Guay	
1993 Jeff Lacz	
1993 Michael Skaza	Clerk
1996 Lori Lyons	
1997 Michelle Mooney	
1997 Brian Notte	
1997 Kevin Hughes	
2000 Robert Geryk	

**Breakdown of 2000
call volume:**

45%	Motor Vehicle Accidents
11%	Motor Vehicle Fires
7%	Agency Assist/Stand-By
7%	Mutual Aid
7%	Hazardous Materials
6%	Illegal Outside Fires
4%	Carbon Monoxide
	Detector Activation
1%	Medical Assist
1%	Other Citizen Assist
1%	Fire Alarm Activation
1%	Outside Smoke
	Condition
1%	Residential Smoke
	Condition
1%	Electrical Fires

Respectfully Submitted,


Joseph Skaza
Chief

**Dial 9-1-1 To Report an Emergency
Check Your Smoke Detectors Monthly**

Town of West Rutland 2000 Constable Report

Since January 2000, we have seen some significant changes in police services in West Rutland. With the purchase of the new police cruiser, we have been able to increase patrol services to an average of 20 hours per week.

Two additional special officers were hired this year to help provide patrols in town. John Johnson, a full-time police officer in Rutland City and Mark Beezup, a full-time deputy sheriff have been added to our staff. Steve Salengo continues to work as a special, along with myself, as Constable.

New uniforms for all officers were recently purchased, utilizing West Rutland's new logo, along with new portable radios.

As most of you know, West Rutland Police are not always on duty should an emergency arise. State Police (773-9101) should be notified in an emergency, and if a West Rutland officer is on duty, he will respond.

I would like to express thanks to Jason Simcock, Town Manager and the Selectboard for their cooperation in all police matters. I would also like to thank my wife, Veronica for taking care of the numerous administrative duties. My sincere gratitude is also extended to the Vermont State Police, Rutland City Police Department, West Rutland Fire Department and Rutland County Sheriff's Department, as well as other law enforcement agencies in our surrounding towns who have provided assistance at various times throughout the year.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert F. Geryk,
Constable



RUTLAND COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
P.O. Box 302
RUTLAND, VERMONT 05702-0302
802-775-8002

Sheriff R. J. Elrick

Annual Report

The Rutland County Sheriff's Department is pleased to present our annual report to the citizens of West Rutland. Probably the most significant event in the current year has been our move from our former location on Center Street to our new offices at 108 Wales Street in Rutland. The Sheriff's Office is now located on the second floor of the new Rutland Police Department facility. This move has already proven to be quite beneficial to both the Police and Sheriff's Departments. We are sharing portions of the facility, such as booking and holding areas, to eliminate the need for duplication of space. Discussions continue on other areas where the two agencies might be able to share resources and space to reduce taxpayer costs and provide more efficient services.

At present, the Sheriff's Department provides law enforcement services under contract to five (5) towns in the County, as well as to the National Forest Service and the Diamond Run Mall. We continue to provide a roaming countywide patrol and will soon be expanding this patrol through the addition of two additional full-time Deputies, funded through a grant from the federal COPS office. The Department provides court officers in Superior, District, Family, Probate, Magistrate, and Small Claims courts. The Department also contracts with private organizations to provide such services as traffic control, wide load escorts, and general security and enforcement. We continue to bear primary responsibility for prisoner transportation in Rutland County, including prisoners, juveniles and mentally ill patients. The Department is also responsible for the service of civil process. These are papers to be served when law suits are filed, notices of hearings, seizures of property, evictions, child support documents, custody orders, and other court documents.

Despite increases in calls for service, our educational and prevention efforts continue to grow. The community has shown tremendous interest and support in the TRIAD program. Designed to identify and address issues facing our seniors, many citizens have partnered in this effort and we have begun to offer home safety inspections for seniors. Our "Youth Services" section within the Department has been quite busy with the addition of two full-time School Resource Deputies, assigned to the West Rutland and Proctor school districts. They will be teaching DARE in the schools and will be offering parent awareness seminars to provide parents with current topics and information which should aid them in identifying dangerous and/or illegal activity early so that early intervention can occur.

The Department has secured over \$107,000 in highway safety grants for the fiscal year 2000-2001. We now have a full-time, dedicated DUI Enforcement Deputy and a full-time Deputy assigned to Child Passenger Safety and Seat Belt enforcement. We have expanded our Community Traffic Safety Program (CTSP) with the hiring of a full-time "Community Programs Specialist".

Finally, we hope to continue our efforts to draw more involvement from members of the communities we serve through another offering of the Citizen's Police Academy in late 2000. This is an excellent opportunity to see what your Sheriff's Department is doing and to learn firsthand what the roles and responsibilities of a Deputy are and how you can assist us. We'll be soliciting citizens to assist the Department in the delivery of presentations and prevention programs during the coming year. I encourage you to get involved in policing of your communities through volunteering!

The Rutland County Sheriff's Department remains committed, as a full-service police agency, to meeting the needs of our county residents, albeit enforcement, education, or prevention. I encourage you to call our office or stop in with any questions, suggestions, or needs you might have throughout the year. As members of our communities, your feedback on our performance can only better enable us to do what we see as our primary goal: serving you!

R. J. Elrick
Rutland County Sheriff

"PROTECTING OUR FUTURE"

West Rutland Recreation Committee

The West Rutland Recreation Committee, in it's second year, continues to forge ahead with new and improved projects.

One of our accomplishments this year was the new Little League field at the Rec. Center. It will be a functioning part of our summer/spring sports program.

Mighty-Mites and T-Ball programs continue to have strong attendance.

Girls summer softball joined two Rutland leagues and made an impressive showing in their first year.

There is still much to be done with the recreation center - we'd like to get a second concession stand and bleachers at the new field.

Our youth soccer program in it's second year was a huge success. We had 30 1st through 4th grade students in attendance. Many thanks to the parents, coaches, Jr. High and High School students who gave up their Saturday mornings for this program.

The winter activities continue - skiing/snowboarding program has begun with 7 enrolled at Pico. The rec. dep't. made arrangements to provide transportation this year.

The skating rink is up and running. Many thanks to Duane Dickinson for his tireless labor. (Night skating upon request - call a committee member.)

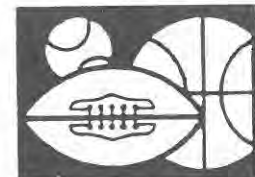
Youth basketball for grades 3 & 4 just began with Steve Pietryka and Rick Lantman at the helm again. Scott Fitzgerald will be working on organizing a 1st & 2nd grade program. Thanks volunteers!

Looking to the future . . .

We are presently checking into a town swimming pool, expanding and upgrading the rec center, summer volleyball programs, bike safety course, . . . etc. Any suggestions are welcome.

Anyone interested in helping these dreams become realities, come join us on the second Tuesday of each month at the Town Hall. (Meeting dates can be flexible)

Rec. Committee Members,
Penny Washburn
Laurie and Carl Serrani
Duane Dickinson
Marci Barrows



FRIENDS OF THE WEST RUTLAND TOWN HALL

PO Box 591
West Rutland, Vermont 05777

Balance July 1, 1999 \$4434.74

Receipts

General Fund	\$1978.02
Friendship Tree	\$1279.00
Fund Drive	\$ 270.00
Cookbook	\$ 40.00
Tasting Supper	\$1959.00
Total Receipts	\$5526.02

Expenses

General Fund	\$6616.53
Friendship Tree	\$ 791.57
Fund Drive	\$ 0.00
Cookbook	\$ 0.00
Tasting Supper	\$ 345.83
Total Expenses	\$7303.93

Balance June 30, 2000 \$2656.83

Current Assets (Dec. 15, 2000)

Checking Account	\$3,089.55
Money Market**	\$6,120.83
CD (#1)	\$2,887.92
CD (#2)	\$10,919.66
Total Assets	\$23,017.96

**Disbursements from Money Market

Beaudry Painting	\$2959.00
Transf. To Chkn	\$1500.00

Thanks to the many folks who gave of their time, talents, and resources to make much progress possible. This past year we have been able to invest over \$12,000 in renovations to the town hall. This includes window treatments and blinds for the selectmen's room, refurbishing the town clerk's office to include window treatment and building a marble counter, and repainting the upper and lower front hallways with new upstairs lighting.

We worked with the selectboard to obtain \$15,000 from the Vermont Legislature to put toward future ADA compliance for the town hall. The most recent cost estimate for total compliance was \$275,000. This would include an elevator, doorways, ramp, and bathroom facilities.

If anyone would like more information about the Friends of the Town Hall, please call the town office at 483-2263.

2000 West Rutland Marsh Appreciation Committee

The West Rutland Marsh Appreciation Committee had an exciting and successful year in 2000. This committee, formed in 1998, is a small but vital group of people dedicated to the preservation of the West Rutland Marsh, and its promotion as both an educational and environmental resource for the community.

The 2nd Annual West Rutland Marsh Appreciation Day was held at the West Rutland School on May 13, 2000. This annual event is free and open to the public of all ages. The goal of this event is to introduce people to the natural history of the area, and the ecological importance of wetlands. Indoor presentations and outdoor field trips covered such topics as marsh plants, birds of the marsh, local marble history, and the marsh's role in the Lake Champlain basin. Presentations and field trips were led by knowledgeable people from the Rutland County Audubon Society, Vermont Department of Forest Parks & Recreation, Lake Champlain Basin Program, as well as local citizens.

Other exciting news from the year included the designation of the West Rutland Marsh as an Important Bird Area by the National Audubon Society. Having I.B.A. status means that our marsh is part of an international effort to recognize and protect areas that are identified as critical habitat for migratory birds. A special thank you to the Rutland County Audubon Society for their nomination.

Also, we hope to locate a boardwalk and observation platform in the marsh, thus allowing the public an opportunity to see and learn about marsh life close up. Furthermore, we are developing a road-side interpretive trail around the marsh. This self-guided trail will encompass a dozen sites where people can learn about plants, animals, habitats, and the functions and values that wetlands serve.

We would like to express our gratitude to the West Rutland School for their continued support and use their facilities for our Annual Marsh Appreciation Day. Also, the Rutland County Audubon Society for their alliance on this and other projects. Many people have generously donated assistance to the committee including Dave Jenne and Roy Pilcher. A special thank you goes out to all the individuals and local businesses that have participated in our annual marsh clean-up. The West Rutland Marsh is a more pleasant place to visit because of your donations and hard work.

Our committee is busy planning similar events for 2001. If you would like to be a part of this group, please call the Town Hall at 438-2263.

Respectfully submitted,

David McDevitt, Chairman
Peter Carini
Dave & Lynn Jenne
Roy Pilcher
David Yates
Jason Simcock

Marsh Appreciation Committee



Annual Report 2000

West Rutland
Development
Corporation

January 23, 2001

To the Taxpayers of West Rutland:

The Board of Directors would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support of the West Rutland Development Corporation and update you on year 2000 activities.

While no concrete was poured in the industrial park in 2000, foundations "of another sort" were being laid for a prospective business to locate in West Rutland in 2001. At this time, a company is prepared to purchase 4.6 acres in the northern section of the industrial park. H. Hirschmann, LTD., of Pittsford, VT, has proposed to build an 11,500 square foot building just north of Maine Lubrication. Hirschmann manufactures custom windows and doors for clients around the country. The company anticipates to employ up to 20-25 employees, at full capacity, and has room to expand the building on the lots being purchased. Traffic impact will be minimal, as between 2 to 4 truck trips are expected weekly. Hirschmann has expressed a strong interest in joining the West Rutland community. The project is contingent upon successful completion of the permit process and bidding schedule.

The development corporation worked closely with the Hirschmann's over the past year to address site development concerns, VEDA financing, and other project issues. The project could not be possible if not for the invaluable support of the Selectboard and REDC during the application process. We all look forward to Hirschmann becoming a part of the community.

While the northern lots appear to be sold, the southern lots remain available for purchase. Two lots may be sold independently or combined into one 5.8 acre parcel. The future looks promising for the industrial park and community as lots continue to be sold. Thank you again for your continued support of our efforts.

Sincerely,

Jim Mumford
President

P.O. Box 60
West Rutland, Vermont 05777
Tel: (802) 438-2204
Tel: (802) 438-2263
Fax: (802) 438-5133

West Rutland School Principal's Annual Report

Beginning August 1, 2000, I became the new Principal of West Rutland School. At this time I found a plethora of powerful learning experiences that have occurred during the past year and continue as we approach the year 2000/2001.

Our efforts to improve student achievement has been the driving force this year via Standards Based Instruction and Assessment. Teachers K-12 have been involved with developing standards based units in each curricular area and grade.

The development of a middle school curriculum for our sixth grade students was implemented this year. The format for the sixth grade has been reorganized from a self-contained classroom to an interdisciplinary team structure. Two sixth grade teachers share common planning time to develop and implement instructional strategies which emphasize active learning, and the developmental characteristics of young adolescents.

As a means of improving state test scores, the master schedule is being revised for grades 7-12 from an eight period day to a seven period day to begin 2001/2002. This will increase classroom instructional time an additional ten minutes per class. Integrated into this schedule will be reading/writing classes for middle and high school students requiring remediation in this area.

This year the Homework Club operated in conjunction with the Tapestry Program which began in November, 2000. West Rutland's Tapestry is part of a federal grant which funds after school programs for Rutland Central Supervisory Union schools as well as Rutland City schools. Currently, the program serves approximately 30 students and meets Monday through Friday from 2:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m. The enrollment is increasing and the enrichment opportunities continue to grow and develop.

Other after school opportunities have been developed this year. The Mentoring Program involves fifth and sixth grade students who meet with college students and adult volunteers one hour each week developing special interests and fun relationships.

The Unified Sports Program has developed a bowling, swimming and winter sports team. This new program opportunity pairs students with and without special needs for statewide tournaments in these events.

School staff have connected students and adults with community resources. Rutland Regional Medical Center staff will provide "Safe Sitter" and "Home Alone" programs teaching safety, responsibility and first aid information. West Rutland School staff continue to promote, supervise and encourage teen leadership and anti-drug programs.

The Technology Learning Challenge Grant is in its third and final year. The TLC Grant awarded West Rutland School \$30,000 in both year one and year two. 75% of the money was spent on purchasing a network server, software and installing new computers in the secondary and elementary labs. The remainder of the money was utilized on professional development for teachers and staff.

This year the grant was written so that the majority of the money will be allocated for the purchasing of computers for the classrooms. The goal is for each classroom to have one networked computer. The grant would also allow us to add a mail server to the network. This will permit Internet access in each classroom and for staff e-mail accounts. The paperwork for the grant was completed and submitted in January, 2001. If approved, West Rutland School will receive an additional \$30,000.

We have had a challenging and rewarding year. Individually and collectively we will continue to inspire educational excellence, demonstrate high expectations, provide a safe school climate and instill a sense of responsibility and accountability for the standards based curriculum and instruction we deliver.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Kay, Principal

TEACHING PERSONNEL

The list of teachers for the school year 2000-2001 with years of experience, subjects taught and salary is as follows:

Name	Grade or Subject	Salary 1999-2000	Years of Experience
Linda W. Barker	Math	45,255.00	30.5
Mary E. Beaulieu	Grade 3	33,772.00	12.0
Jeffery V. Bender	High School Special Educator	30,620.00	5.0
Shannon G. Bonsignore	Elementary Music/Chorus	25,217.00	3.0
Edward R. Bove	Social Studies	31,521.00	7.0
Nancy Burke-Bruno	Substitute Grade 5	21,046.00	0.0
Michael J. Caliguiri	Science	43,229.00	31.0
Dawn T. Charron	Business/Computers	33,547.00	14.0
Marie P. Coombs	Grades 1 and 2	44,355.00	20.0
Elizabeth Cronin	Health/Phys. Ed. Grades 6-8	36,925.00	13.0
Dawn R. Daley	Grades 1 and 2	44,355.00	20.0
Daniel H. Deuel	Math	43,229.00	31.0
Robert P. Dollar	Math and Computers	31,521.00	5.0
Carol Dziubek	Title I/Special Education	45,255.00	24.0
Mary Fagan DeQuendo	Spanish	36,249.00	11.0
Katherine Fogg	Elementary Music and Band	40,752.00	14.0
Robert Hammond	English	29,720.00	3.0
Joseph H. Harrington	Associate Principal	48,204.00	11.0
Richard J. Hart	Grade 6	34,223.00	10.0
Joy A. Hart	Special Educator	42,553.00	16.0
Michelle P. Harte	Grades 1 and 2	25,217.00	3.8
Linda T. Johnson	Middle School Science	45,255.00	34.0
Linda M. Kay	Principal	63,000.00	25.0
Melvin C. Loomis	Science	43,229.00	21.0
Susan E. Loomis	Grade 5	27,018.00	7.0
Carolyn B. Magwire	Family & Consumer Science	45,255.00	24.0
Janet B. Marchinkoski	Grade 4	45,255.00	32.0
Scott A. Maxham	Physical Education Grades 9-12	26,343.00	4.0
Mary P. Ojala	Kindergarten	43,454.00	19.0
Christine M. Pawlusiak	Grade 4	33,998.00	11.0
David L. Phillipsen	Library/Media	45,255.00	26.0
Kathleen F. Pieta	Secondary Guidance Counselor	47,500.00	20.0
Carol Protivansky	Art, Grades 6-12	28,369.00	6.0
Frederic A. Remington	History	45,255.00	28.0
Joseph J. Salengo	English Grades 7-10	45,255.00	36.0
Wanda Kay Spatzer	Integration Specialist	45,255.00	21.0
Karen J. St. Peter	Nurse	26,343.00	5.0
Antonette A. Stickney	Physical Education Grades K-5	27,659.00	18.0
Abigail P. Tharu	English	25,217.00	3.0
Paula S. Tordonato	French	36,699.00	14.0
Kathleen A. Turgeon	Grade 3	37,375.00	16.0
Carl T. Wener	Grade 6	45,255.00	28.0
David A. Wilson	Elementary Art K-5	32,422.00	6.0

EXTRA CURRICULAR 2000-2001

NAME	Activity	Salary
Scott Gregg	Boys Varsity Soccer	1,700.00
David O'Rourke	7th & 8th Grade Boys Soccer	no pay
Tabitha Wilder	5th & 6th Grade Boys Soccer	300.00
Jason Zavala	5th & 6th Grade Boys Soccer	300.00
Heather House	Girls Varsity Soccer	1,700.00
Rick Hart	7th & 8th Grade Girls Soccer	700.00
Kris Pearson	5th & 6th Grade Girls Soccer	600.00
Don Dunchus	Boys Varsity Basketball	2,000.00
Pat Pockette	J. V. Boys Basketball	1,500.00
Chris Wood	7/8th Grade Boys Basketball	1,000.00
Loren Allen	6th Grade Boys Basketball	400.00
Tabitha Wilder	5th Grade Boys Basketball	300.00
Carl Serrani	Girls Varsity Basketball	no pay
Paul Dunchus	J.V. Girls Basketball	1,500.00
Julie Center	8th Grade Girls Basketball	500.00
Lynn Reardon	7th Grade Girls Basketball	500.00
Emily Owen	5/6th Grade Girls Basketball	600.00
Linda Farley	Cheerleading	1,500.00
Joe Salengo	Grades 7/8 Spelling	300.00
Susan Loomis	Grades 5/6 Spelling	300.00
Dawn Charron	Senior Class Advisor	300.00
Scott Maxham	Senior Class Advisor	300.00
Robert Dollar	Student Council	300.00
Susan Loomis	Drama	500.00
Katherine Fogg	Band	300.00
Shannon Bonsignore	Chorus	300.00
Mary M. deO'quendo	National Honor Society	200.00
Edward Bove	Golf	500.00
TBH	Baseball	
TBH	Softball	

Rutland Central Supervisory Union
Approved 2001/2002 Budget

	Actual 1999/00	Budget 2000/01	Approved 2001/02	\$ Change	% Change
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Fiscal Service

Business Manager	48,934	50,892	52,910	2,018	
Bookkeeper	21,760	21,617	23,338	1,721	
Clerk	19,988	19,861	21,591	1,730	
Group Health	14,053	18,144	18,414	270	
FICA	6,777	7,066	7,485	419	
Life	166	166	166	0	
Retirement	5,072	4,619	4,892	273	
Worker's Comp.	170	231	245	14	
Unemployment	96	96	96	0	
Professional Dev.	682	995	1,050	55	
Dental Insurance	1,165	1,792	2,134	342	
Disability Ins.	478	519	519	0	
Computer Service	0	6,200	6,500	300	
Travel	1,350	1,250	1,350	100	
Computer repairs	3,723	0	800	800	
Dues & Fees	235	225	235	10	
Total Fiscal Service	124,647	133,673	141,725	8,052	6.02%

Total RCSU Expense	334,482	355,810	377,982	22,172	6.23%
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INCOME

Assessments

Proctor-Regular	105,637	115,409	126,605	11,196	
Rutland Town	104,769	106,740	117,053	10,313	
West Rutland	111,102	117,754	119,124	1,370	
Proctor - PFP	1,400	1,400	1,400	0	
West Rutland-Fiscal	5,000	5,000	5,000	0	
Projects	8,234	4,800	4,800	0	
Total Assessments	336,142	351,103	373,982	22,879	6.52%

Interest	1,024	800	2,000	1,200	
Misc. Income	293	800	0	(800)	
Funds To Open	3,107	3,107	2,000	(1,107)	
Total Income	340,566	355,810	377,982	22,172	6.23%

Rutland Central Supervisory Union
Approved 2001/2002 Budget

	Actual 1999/00	Budget 2000/01	Approved 2001/02	\$ Change	% Change
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General Administration

Superintendent	70,000	75,000	80,000	5,000	
Admin. Assist.	27,261	30,000	30,975	975	
Secretary	11,502	11,409	11,750	341	
Custodian	4,132	3,531	4,714	1,183	
S.U. Treasurer	693	714	714	0	
Group Health	5,169	10,407	10,518	111	
FICA	8,688	9,536	10,110	574	
Life	336	360	360	0	
Retirement	2,144	2,071	2,136	65	
Worker's Comp.	267	302	320	18	
Unemployment	94	97	102	5	
Professional Dev.	150	500	1,000	500	
Dental Ins.	0	664	678	14	
Disability Ins.	462	433	433	0	
Section 125	188	225	225	0	
Audit	4,900	6,500	6,500	0	
Legal Fees	464	400	800	400	
Board Secretary	150	270	270	0	
Repair & Maint.	4,909	4,800	5,000	200	
Rent & Utilities	32,633	34,860	37,490	2,630	
Travel	2,072	2,000	2,000	0	
Conferences	2,575	2,600	2,600	0	
Insurance	125	700	500	(200)	
Telephone & Postage	6,798	7,820	7,820	0	
Copy Paper	996	800	1,000	200	
Printed Stationary	420	400	425	25	
Office Supplies	7,016	5,600	7,200	1,600	
Computer Supplies	2,372	1,800	2,400	600	
Bank Charges	0	0	400	400	
Subscriptions	482	300	482	182	
Equipment Replace.	5,437	0	0	0	
New Furniture	681	0	0	0	
Dues	3,113	3,475	3,475	0	
Contingency	0	650	650	0	
Total Gen. Admin.	206,229	218,224	233,047	14,823	6.79%

Technology Services

Wages	2,578	3,084	2,354	(730)	
Benefits	1,028	829	856	27	
Total Technology	3,606	3,913	3,210	(703)	-17.97%

**Rutland Central Supervisory Union
Local Special Education Account
Approved 2001/02 Budget**

	Actual 1999/00	Budget 2000/01	Status 10/30/00	Budget 2001/02	\$ Change	% Change
EXPENSES						
Special Ed Administration						
Director	56,138	55,620	17,114	59,903	4,283	
Secretary	11,502	11,409	3,510	12,890	1,481	
Group Health Ins.	9,765	11,738	0	11,896	158	
Social Security	4,652	5,128	1,578	5,569	441	
Group Life Ins.	83	83	0	83	0	
Professional Dev.	1,000	0	750	2,811	2,811	
Dental Ins.	1,549	1,517	0	1,457	(60)	
Retirement	453	571	153	645	74	
Workers Compensation	117	168	0	182	14	
Unemployment	0	64	0	64	0	
Disability Insurance	270	260	0	260	0	
Travel & Workshops	2,813	2,150	719	2,150	0	
Supplies	245	450	254	950	500	
Dues & Fees	139	150	0	150	0	
Total S.E. Admin.	88,727	89,308	24,078	99,010	9,702	10.86%
Speech / Language Services				4,752	4,752	
Fiscal Service	750	1,100	0	1,100	0	0.00%
Total Expense	89,477	90,408	24,078	104,862	14,454	15.99%
INCOME						
Local Assessments						
Proctor	10,233	11,510	0	12,004	494	
Rutland Town	18,889	23,343	0	24,346	1,003	
West Rutland	14,870	14,441	0	15,061	620	
Total Local	43,992	49,294	0	51,411	2,117	4.29%
State Funds						
LEAP	38,589	38,714	0	49,230	10,516	27.16%
Medicaid Funds	0	2,400	0	4,221	1,821	75.88%
Other Income						
Cash to Open	3,821	0	(1,821)	0	0	
Total Income	86,403	90,408	(1,821)	104,862	14,454	15.99%

**Rutland Central Supervisory Union
Essential Early Education
Budget Status report and 2001/02 Budget**

	Actual 99/00	Budget 2000/01	Status 10-30-00	Budget 2001/02	\$ Change	% Change
INCOME						
Local Assessments						
Proctor	20,434	29,529	0	27,896	(1,633)	-5.53%
Rutland Town	43,623	35,774	0	36,235	461	1.29%
West Rutland	31,092	34,591	0	34,136	(455)	-1.32%
State Funds						
Family, Infant & Toddlers	1,080	0	1,350	0	0	
Even Start	12,300	1,800	0	0	(1,800)	-100.00%
IDEA-B	10,920	8,800	0	8,800	0	0.00%
Other Income						
Interest Income	2,217	1,500	93	0	(1,500)	-100.00%
Cash to Open	4,506	0	0	3,249	3,249	
Total Income	126,172	111,994	1,443	110,317	(1,677)	-1.50%
EXPENSES						
Direct Instruction:						
Wages	68,700	71,251	21,923	73,388	2,137	
Group Health Ins.	7,467	10,171	0	10,510	339	
Social Security	5,292	5,575	1,677	5,760	185	
Workers Compensation	136	178	0	184	6	
Unemployment	64	64	0	64	0	
Dental Insurance	1,165	1,282	0	1,231	(51)	
Advertising	0	0	0	250	250	
Travel & workshops	1,736	2,500	0	2,500	0	
Supplies & Materials	(371)	400	309	500	100	
Total Direct Instruction	84,188	91,421	23,910	94,387	2,966	3.24%
Student Support - OT/PT	0	400	62	400	0	0.00%
Speech Language Service:						
Wages	16,186	11,935	13,698	10,815	(1,120)	
Group Health Ins.	1,131	1,614	0	188	(1,426)	
Social Security	1,115	913	1,048	842	(71)	
Workers Compensation	25	30	0	27	(3)	
Unemployment	32	32	0	8	(24)	
Purchased Service	9,242	1,800	625	0	(1,800)	
Travel Allowance	270	750	194	750	0	
Supplies & Materials	0	400	54	400	0	
Total Speech Language	28,001	17,474	15,519	13,030	(4,444)	-25.43%
S.U. Assessment	1,500	1,500	0	1,500	0	0.00%
Rent	1,000	1,000	0	1,000	0	0.00%
Bank charges & Fees	270	200	0	0	(200)	-100.00%
Total EEE Program Expense	114,959	111,995	39,590	110,317	(1,678)	-1.50%

Rutland Central Supervisory Union
Annual Report for the 2000/2001 School Year



The RCSU Vision is to unite the communities to provide a quality education enabling each student to be prepared to succeed in life.

The RCSU Mission is to create a school system that aligns all its resources in order to assure that each student achieves at his or her highest level.

Last year, I reported on what I termed to be the "state of the supervisory union". The purpose of which was to communicate an awareness of what had been accomplished over the past year throughout the Rutland Central Supervisory Union. This year I give to you my second report on the "state of the supervisory union".

What have we collectively accomplished at all levels of the educational community? What initiatives do we need to continue? What are our plans?

Our Goal to create a "Safe Learning Environment"

What have we accomplished so far this past year? Our school crisis plans & teams unfortunately have been put to the test this past year. Thanks to our planning and training the Crisis team members, as well as, faculty and staff did an outstanding job. It has been noted by law enforcement that the RCSU is far and away further ahead than most supervisory unions in both our crisis team management and plans. On another note, we concluded this past year with a pilot project of having a Resource Officer from the Sheriff's Department in our schools (West Rutland and Proctor) on a part-time basis.

What are our plans to continually improve? This year through the initiative of Sheriff RJ Elrick the towns of Proctor and West Rutland have expanded the Resource Officer program to a full time basis at both schools. Also, through the efforts of Sgt. Tom Jacques of the Vermont State Police, Rutland Town has a Resource Officer in the school this year. We will continue to seek out and involve parents and students in the process of creating safe learning environments. School climate is very important. In today's world, we must send a strong and loud message that school is a place where harassment of any type by anyone will not be tolerated. It is our responsibility as parents, community members and school personnel to be role models for our students in creating an environment of respectful, civil, and courteous behavior so our students become infected by that very kind of behavior.

Our Goal to create a "Partnerships"

What have we accomplished so far this past year? The PDA (Professional Development & Assessment committee) continues to provide partnerships among the districts and will continue to play an important role in this ongoing development as evidenced by the teachers who have been involved with the administrators in Baldrige training and attended the administrative retreat. That is partnership in leadership and we want to continue to have this happen because our strength comes from recognizing, developing and utilizing the talents of each other to focus on our continuous improvement. Action planning teams continue their efforts to foster on-going plans for school improvement. Our partnerships will continue with Capstone, and the regional collaborative. Our new partnership with Castleton State College has allowed us to formulate the higher education and high school consortium and we have formed a new partnership with the VISMT Assessment Consortium, which will enhance our plans in achieving a better understanding of utilizing assessment as a tool for improvement.

What are our plans to continually improve? We will continue to enhance our communications with the community and stress the importance of partnership. We will undertake a major project this year as we enter into our partnership with the Rutland City School District. The 21st Century Learning grant otherwise known as "Tapestry" is a partnership that will "open the door" to all students K-8 in the RCSU to become involved in various after school and Saturday programs. The Tapestry program is supported not only by school district leaders and teachers, but also by a wide array of community agencies as partners.

Our Goal to create a "High Performing Staff"

What have we accomplished so far this past year?

In West Rutland:

- Curriculum development in the elementary, middle and high school Language Arts program
- Expanding and improving local language arts assessment
- Reflecting on reading and writing practices in K-12
- Matching books to students – a process called leveling
- Developing rubrics – grades K-12 Language Arts
- Teaching of mixed ability groups – grades 1-4
- Writing standards-based curriculum – grades K-4 in Guidance
- Writing standards-based units Grades 2-4 Reading
- K-4 Literacy circles added to reading instruction
- Personal Performance Projects added to the science program
- Life skills course designed to address specific vital results
- Development of standards-based art curriculum
- Curriculum mapping of science 7-12
- Music written by students in grades 7 & 8 and shared via the Internet supported by the Web Grant
- Year 2 of the TLC grant provided technology training for teachers

In Rutland Town:

- Improving opportunities for Reading – grades K-2
- Reflecting on Reading and writing practices – grades K-8

Our #1 Goal: to create "Highest Student Achievement"

Where are we today in educational assessment and where do we need to go as we enter the 21st century? We are dealing with 3 basic trends.

First is the outside accountability of high stakes testing. The second trend is that the global economy has changed our world. Now, we have to teach ALL kids to "think" for a living. The question is how do we do this? The third trend is that we now have science showing us how to teach. Brain research tied to pedagogical research is a welcoming phenomenon that will continue to have a tremendous impact on our knowledge of teaching and learning.

Therefore, we need to continually "think change". We need to talk about teaching and learning with kids ...not teaching to kids. Reaching the goal of "highest student achievement" depends upon thinking differently about teaching, learning, self-development and teamwork. When we set high expectations for ALL kids we are talking about growth over time. We now need to look at kids on the "J" curve rather than the "bell" curve. We need to measure individual growth starting at competency and over time with continuous improvement measure individual growth. Curriculum now is about applying facts and skills. It is about what the kid learns and not about what the teacher covers. To put it another way, it is about "standards".

What are our plans to continually improve? We need to move from a norm-referenced system to a "results" referenced system. We need to make sure when we talk about our data that we are talking about where kids are compared to standards and not where kids are compared to kids. This means that we need to make sure that the resources and support needed to accomplish this goal tie directly to our next goal...

Our Goal: to create a "Management System"

What is a system? It is a collection of parts working together to perform a job. Parts interact and what one does affects all other parts. The job of our schools system is to provide a high quality education for ALL kids. This spring the trainer for the Baldrige Integrated Management System made the following statement: "Your system is perfectly designed to give the results your getting". So how do we re-work our system to get better results? What do we need to do to meet this challenge? First, we need to "think change". Second, we need to work to create "linkages" and "benchmarks" within our system.

What have we accomplished so far this past year? Our district Action Plans are becoming more sophisticated in realistically targeting specific schoolwide needs related to teaching and learning. The RCSU Vision and Mission are purposely linked to district Action Plans. The RCSU Goals are linkages to systemic improvement in the organization as a whole. Quality Management training has taken place for members of the administrative team, as well as, members of the PDA and other interested teachers.

What are our plans to continually improve? A research scholar by the name of Michael Fullen says, "assessment is the coherence-maker in school improvement". As "best practice" we need to reconfigure the process. Because of the limitations of state and norm reference tests, we must begin to look at the development of "Local

- Implementing a new primary student assessment tool
- Holding workshops for parents about ways to help their children to become better readers
- Authoring of a pamphlet to parents on how parents could help their children become better readers
- Instituted the development of a summer program for incoming kindergartners
- Involved in a UVM Research study on Literacy
- Recognizing the use of Literacy Circles as Instructional best practice
- Teaching mixed ability groups – grade 6 writing
- Writing workshop training – grades 6,7,8
- Development of writing standards for science grade 8
- Literacy circle book discussions – grade 4

In Proctor:

- K-12 coordination in Action Planning calling for all 4 Disciplines to articulate curriculum K-12
- Curriculum mapping Language Arts K-12
- Curriculum mapping Science 7-12
- The development of a 5-8 middle school bridge between the two schools
- Reflection on Reading and writing practices K-12
- Reciprocal Teaching – grades 3-4
- Literature circles –grades 3-4
- Improving opportunities for Reading k-4
- Revisions of the Language Arts curriculum K-6
- Teaching mixed ability groups – grades 3-4
- Writing workshop – grades 3-4
- Integration of Technology into the curriculum K-6
- Danville Assessment – grades 3-4
- Writing standards based units K-12
- Year 2 of the TLC grant provided technology training for teachers
- Acquisition of a 5 year Vismitt-Bell Atlantic grant for a state of the art Learning Lab at the high school

What are our plans to continually improve? To keep doing this! Support "Best Practice" linked to Professional Development. One of the most persistent findings in research studies is that when schools become places for teachers to learn, they also become schools on their way to improvement. Recognizing the correlation between the improvement of school and the improvement of instruction requires that we work to improve the quality of professional development by recognizing the need for "reflection and goal setting". We know that it is important to reduce teacher isolation and strengthen teachers' capacity to examine and assess their own work.

Assessment" and "District Standards" that takes us beyond them. We need to look at assessing students' work to obtain data for curriculum & instructional improvement. We will continue to explore systems management tools such as the Baldrige Quality Management System as a way to help us meet the challenge of helping to insure the system lines up so we move in the same direction. Therefore, we need to invite more people to the table to look at this process. We need to look at our students as "the workers" and our parents and community as our "customers".

The very nature of organizations argues that we succeed when all the parties are rowing in the same direction. We will realize the promise of school reform when we establish standards and expectations for reaching them that are clear, not confusing, essential, not exhaustive. The results of which will be a new coherence and a shared focus that could be the most promising step we can take toward educating ALL STUDENTS WELL.

Respectfully submitted
John E. Kaldy, Superintendent of Schools

Report of the RCSU Coordinator of Curriculum and Assessment

It is good news that the annual report from the RCSU Coordinator of Curriculum and Assessment reads much this year as it did last year. The work of redefining curriculum and the tools and processes to assess student growth requires time and sustained effort by all within the school community. This is the second year that the Coordinator position, funded almost exclusively through grants, has been in place. The priority continues to be working across schools, grade levels, and subject areas to clearly articulate desired learning outcomes for students. This work will result in a rigorous and coherent curriculum for all students. The Curriculum and Assessment Coordinator is working with administrators and teachers to not only write the curriculum, but also to provide the professional development teachers need to effectively teach the new curriculum.

Educational assessment monitors student progress with the knowledge, skills, reasoning, and dispositions described in the curriculum. The RCSU is committed to ensuring all children achieve to their fullest potential. The comprehensive assessment system currently under design will contribute to this commitment. This system will use the best of high-quality classroom assessments as well as high quality standardized tests. The combined implementation and appropriate, strategic utilization of the information gained from these assessments has the power to ensure maximized student achievement. And high achievement for all of our students is, after all, the over-arching goal of our schools.

Respectfully Submitted,
Karen White

REPORT OF THE COORDINATOR OF THE EVEN START PROGRAM

Intensive, integrated, family literacy services are now underway for families in the Rutland Central Supervisory Union. This project, now in its second year of funding by the Vermont Department of Education, is called Rutland Region Even Start. The RCSU has joined with Vermont Adult Learning, the Rutland County Parent Child Center, Rutland County Head Start, and the Vermont Center for the Book to assist and support children birth through seven and their families to learn together. The Even Start team provides home visits and support, fun family activities, adult education, early education, and parent time. So far, seven families in Rutland Town, Proctor and West Rutland have been served. Home School Coordinator Peg Bartlett and Vermont Adult Learning teacher Ginny Dugan have instructed, modeled, and coached parents in creating a nurturing environment rich in learning. Even Start is caring, flexible, and family-centered. The partners knit together and build on existing services to meet each family's unique needs. Call Judith Lashof at 775-4342 if you or a family you know can benefit from Even Start.

Respectfully Submitted,

Judith Lashof
Even Start Coordinator
November 27, 2000

Report of the Director of Student Services

Rutland Central Supervisory Union welcomes several new employees to its support staff including Joy French, Speech and Language Pathologist, Pam Laubscher, Andrea Eugair-Pitts and Sarah Courcelle as Special Educators. The addition of these staff members to our current support system further strengthens a dynamic team of specialist.

During 1999-2000 the comprehensive system of service(s) available to all learners continued to grow and improve with the Even Start Literacy Project strengthening and supporting early literacy and early essential education.

Through the utilization of multiple resources summer services were provided to a wide variety of students across the supervisory union. Retention and recoupment of skills, often lost during the summer months was the focus of many enrichments.

Support staff including special education and school health professionals helped the supervisory union to recover Medicaid dollars, which go back to the supervisory union to build capacity for all learners within each community.

The continuum of services available to all students will remain the focal point of support service(s) throughout our supervisory union.

Respectfully submitted,

Madelyn Crudo-Burke

**Rutland Central Supervisory Union Notice
Handicapped Children
Ages 0-21 Years
2000-2001**

The Rutland Central Supervisory Union (Proctor, Rutland Town and West Rutland) in meeting the requirements of its local Education Agency Plan, is attempting to identify any and all area resident children between the ages of 0-21 years who may be considered handicapped. Also any person between the ages of 3 and 21, who is in need of special education and related services, is entitled to a free and appropriate public education. It is possible that the Rutland Central Supervisory Union may not be aware of the residence of all handicapped children. If you know of a child who might be eligible for educational services and is not in school, please notify Madelyn Crudo-Burke, Director of Student Educational Services, 257 South Main Street, Rutland, Vermont 05701, or phone 775-4342.

TOWN OF WEST RUTLAND, VERMONT

SCHOOL DISTRICT

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

June 30, 2000

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Directors
Town of West Rutland, Vermont School District
West Rutland, Vermont

We have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements of the Town of West Rutland, Vermont School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 2000, as listed in the table of contents. These general purpose financial statements are the responsibility of Town of West Rutland, Vermont School District's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general purpose financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the general purpose financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

The general purpose financial statements referred to above do not include fixed assets in either the general fixed assets account group or the proprietary fund. Neither is depreciation expense recorded in the proprietary fund. These should be included in order to conform with generally accepted accounting principles. The amounts that should be recorded in the general fixed assets account group and the proprietary fund is not known.

In our opinion, except for the effects on the financial statements of the omissions described in the preceding paragraph, the general purpose financial statements referred to in the first paragraph present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Town of West Rutland, Vermont School District as of June 30, 2000, and the results of its operations and the cash flows of its proprietary and nonexpendable trust funds for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

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Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole. The combining and individual fund financial statements listed in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the general purpose financial statements of the Town of West Rutland, Vermont School District. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, except for the effects, if any, of such adjustments which might be determined to be necessary to record fixed assets and any related depreciation, is fairly presented in all material respects in relation to the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued a report dated November 3, 2000 on our consideration of the Town of West Rutland, Vermont School District's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants.

November 3, 2000
Rutland, Vermont
VT Reg. No 92-0000102

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TOWN OF WEST RUTLAND, VERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT
COMBINED BALANCE SHEET
ALL FUND TYPES AND ACCOUNT GROUPS
June 30, 2000

	Governmental Fund Type General Fund	Proprietary Fund Type Enterprise Fund
ASSETS		
Cash	\$413,721	\$37,437
Accounts receivable, net	61,039	9,926
Inventory	0	7,601
Due from other funds	46,874	0
Amount to be provided for retirement of long-term debt	0	0
Total assets	<u>\$521,634</u>	<u>\$54,964</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY		
Liabilities		
Accounts payable	\$24,290	\$84
Due to other funds	0	46,874
Due to student organizations	0	0
Accrued payroll and taxes	121,226	2,941
Unused donated commodities	0	1,636
Notes payable	300,000	0
Accrued retirement incentives	0	0
Accrued compensated absences	0	0
Bonds payable	0	0
Total liabilities	<u>445,516</u>	<u>51,535</u>
Commitments and Contingent Liabilities		
FUND EQUITY		
Retained earnings (deficit) - unreserved	0	3,429
Fund balances:		
Reserved for endowments	0	0
Unreserved		
Designated for subsequent years' expenditures	43,503	0
Undesignated	32,615	0
Total fund equity	<u>76,118</u>	<u>3,429</u>
Total liabilities and fund equity	<u>\$521,634</u>	<u>\$54,964</u>

See Accompanying Notes

Fiduciary Fund Type Trust and Agency Fund	Account Group General Long Term Debt	Totals (Memorandum only)
\$41,262	\$0	\$492,420
0	0	70,965
0	0	7,601
0	0	46,874
0	1,114,316	1,114,316
<u>\$41,262</u>	<u>\$1,114,316</u>	<u>\$1,732,176</u>
\$1,500	\$0	\$25,874
0	0	46,874
16,917	0	16,917
0	0	124,167
0	0	1,636
0	12,891	312,891
0	56,000	56,000
0	75,425	75,425
0	970,000	970,000
18,417	1,114,316	1,629,784
0	0	3,429
22,000	0	22,000
845	0	44,348
0	0	32,615
22,845	0	102,392
<u>\$41,262</u>	<u>\$1,114,316</u>	<u>\$1,732,176</u>

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TOWN OF WEST RUTLAND, VERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT
COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES AND EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS
For the Year Ended June 30, 2000

	Governmental Fund Type General Fund	Fiduciary Fund Type Expendable Trust Fund	Totals (Memorandum only)
REVENUE			
Property taxes	\$317,854	\$0	\$317,854
State and federal grants	2,962,925	0	2,962,925
Local income	216,522	21	216,543
On-behalf payments	53,665	0	53,665
Total revenue	3,550,966	21	3,550,987
EXPENDITURES			
Regular instruction	1,811,689	0	1,811,689
Athletics	47,451	0	47,451
Special education	553,656	0	553,656
Vocational education	41,762	0	41,762
Student support services	44,159	0	44,159
Guidance services	96,739	0	96,739
Health services	36,761	0	36,761
Library and media service	75,887	0	75,887
General administration	140,207	0	140,207
School administration	192,561	0	192,561
Fiscal services	14,552	0	14,552
Building maintenance	353,209	0	353,209
On-behalf pension payments	53,665	0	53,665
Debt service	127,650	0	127,650
Pupil transportation	77,629	0	77,629
Special Capital Projects	99,496	0	99,496
Total expenditures	3,767,073	0	3,767,073
Excess of revenue over (under) expenditures	(216,107)	21	(216,086)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)			
Operating transfers of funds	0	0	0
Excess of revenue and other sources over (under) expenditures and other uses	(216,107)	21	(216,086)
Fund balance, beginning	292,225	818	293,043
Fund balance, ending	<u>\$76,118</u>	<u>\$839</u>	<u>\$76,957</u>

See Accompanying Notes

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**TOWN OF WEST RUTLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES
BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGETARY BASIS
GENERAL FUND**

For the Year Ended June 30, 2000

	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
REVENUE			
Property Taxes	\$731,232	\$317,854	(\$413,378)
State and Federal Grants	2,471,528	2,939,197	467,669
Local Income	284,510	216,522	(67,988)
Total Revenue	3,487,270	3,473,573	(13,697)
EXPENDITURES			
Regular Instruction	1,776,664	1,780,532	(3,868)
Athletics	54,925	44,391	10,534
Special Education	506,489	553,656	(47,167)
Vocational Education	40,394	41,762	(1,368)
Student Support Services	35,853	44,159	(8,306)
Guidance Services	114,307	96,739	17,568
Health Services	37,819	36,761	858
Library and Media Service	80,919	75,772	5,147
General Administration	133,903	140,207	(6,304)
School Administration	179,263	192,280	(13,017)
Fiscal Services	20,147	14,552	5,595
Building Maintenance	315,797	349,535	(33,738)
Debt Service	126,607	127,650	(1,043)
Pupil Transportation	78,178	77,629	549
Total Expenditures	3,501,065	3,575,625	(74,560)
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES	<u>(\$13,795)</u>	<u>(\$102,052)</u>	<u>(\$88,257)</u>

See Accompanying Notes

**TOWN OF WEST RUTLAND, VERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT
COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND
CHANGES IN RETAINED EARNINGS/FUND BALANCE
ALL PROPRIETARY FUND TYPES AND SIMILAR TRUST FUNDS**

For the Year Ended June 30, 2000

	Proprietary Fund Types Enterprise Fund	Fiduciary Fund Type Nonexpendable Trust Fund	Totals (Memorandum only)
REVENUES			
Food and milk sales	\$59,536	\$0	\$59,536
Miscellaneous local income	2,752	0	2,752
Total revenues	62,288	0	62,288
EXPENSES			
Food	57,970	0	57,970
Wages	46,285	0	46,285
Payroll taxes	3,541	0	3,541
Retirement	1,259	0	1,259
Supplies	2,458	0	2,458
Insurance	6,970	0	6,970
Repairs and maintenance	1,302	0	1,302
Awards	0	1,000	1,000
Office supplies and bank charges	5	0	5
Travel	324	0	324
Total expenses	120,114	1,000	121,114
Income (loss) from operations	(57,826)	(1,000)	(58,826)
Non-operating revenues (expenses)			
Interest income	248	937	1,185
Federal grant	59,535	0	59,535
State of Vermont grant	2,626	0	2,626
Federal commodities revenue	7,631	0	7,631
Federal commodities expense	(7,631)	0	(7,631)
Total non-operating revenues (expenses)	62,409	937	63,346
Net income (loss)	4,583	(63)	4,520
Retained earnings (deficit)/fund balance, beginning	(1,154)	22,069	20,915
Retained earnings (deficit)/fund balance, ending	<u>\$3,429</u>	<u>\$22,006</u>	<u>\$25,435</u>

See Accompanying Notes

**TOWN OF WEST RUTLAND, VERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT
COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
ALL PROPRIETARY FUND TYPES AND SIMILAR TRUST FUNDS
For the Year Ended June 30, 2000**

	Proprietary Fund Type Enterprise Fund	Fiduciary Fund Type Nonexpendable Trust Fund	Totals (Memorandum only)
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Net loss from operations	(\$57,826)	(\$1,000)	(\$58,826)
Adjustments to reconcile operating loss to net cash used by operating activities:			
Change in assets and liabilities:			
Increase in accounts receivable	(2,254)	0	(2,254)
Decrease in inventory	574	0	574
Increase in due to other funds	34,512	0	34,512
Increase in accrued payroll and taxes	351	0	351
Increase in accounts payable	84	500	584
Decrease in unused donated commodities	(699)	0	(699)
Net cash used by operations	(25,258)	(500)	(25,758)
NET CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Federal reimbursement	59,535	0	59,535
State reimbursement	2,626	0	2,626
Net cash provided by noncapital financing activities	62,161	0	62,161
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Interest on investments	248	937	1,185
Net cash provided by investing activities	248	937	1,185
Net increase in cash	37,151	437	37,588
Cash - beginning of year	286	23,069	23,355
Cash - end of year	\$37,437	\$23,506	\$60,943

NONCASH FINANCING ACTIVITIES - ENTERPRISE FUND:

The District received federal commodities valued at \$6,932 during the fiscal year. It consumed \$7,631 of commodities during the same period.

See Accompanying Notes

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Note 1.

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The financial statements of the Town of West Rutland School District have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applicable to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The more significant accounting policies of the District are described below.

Reporting Entity

The Town of West Rutland School District is organized, according to State law, under the governance of a five member elected Board of School Directors to provide public education for the children of the Town of West Rutland.

The Town of West Rutland School District, for financial reporting purposes, includes in its financial statements all funds for which the Board of School Directors is financially accountable. Financial accountability by the Board was determined on the basis of: control over the selection of management; accountability for fiscal matters; and degree of financial dependence. These financial statements include the accounts of West Rutland Elementary School, West Rutland High School and the Food Service Program.

Concentration of Risk

The West Rutland School District is a kindergarten to grade 12 public school located in the Town of West Rutland. The District receives a substantial portion of its revenues from property taxes assessed on the Town's residents. Additionally, the District receives the bulk of its revenue from the State of Vermont and the U. S. Government as aid to education and as special education grants. The school district receives tuition for educating students who reside in the surrounding communities.

Fund Accounting

The accounts of the School are organized on the basis of funds and account groups, each of which is considered to be a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for using a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues and expenses or expenditures as appropriate. The School's resources are allocated to and accounted for in individual funds based upon the purposes for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled. The various funds and account group are included in the combined financial statements in this report as follows:

Governmental Fund Types

General fund

The general fund is the general operating fund of the School District and accounts for all revenues and expenditures of the District not encompassed within other funds. All tax revenues and other receipts that are not allocated by law or contractual agreement to some other fund are accounted for in this fund. General operating expenditures and the capital improvement costs that are not paid through other funds are paid from the general fund.

Capital project fund

The Capital Project Fund is used to account for resources for the acquisition of capital facilities by the District.

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Proprietary Fund Type

Food service enterprise fund

The Food Service Fund accounts for cafeteria operations in which the intent is that the costs of providing goods or services be financed through user charges. The School District does not maintain fixed asset records of the food service fund as required by generally accepted accounting principles.

Fiduciary Funds Types

Trust and agency funds are used to account for assets held by the School in a trustee capacity and/or as an agent for individuals, private organizations, other governmental units and/or other funds. These include nonexpendable and expendable trust funds and agency funds. The terms "nonexpendable" and "expendable" refer to whether or not the government is under an obligation to maintain trust principal.

Non-expendable trust funds are accounted for in essentially the same manner as proprietary funds since capital maintenance is critical. They are scholarships and awards that are administered by the School.

Agency funds are used to account for assets that the government holds on behalf of others as their agent. These funds have no equity, assets are equal to liabilities, and do not include revenues and expenditures for general operation of the school district. They consist of Student Activity Accounts.

Account Groups

General long-term debt account group

The general long-term debt account group is established to account for all long-term debt of the District and for those long-term liabilities to be liquidated with resources to be provided in future periods.

Basis of Accounting

The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus. All governmental funds and expendable trust funds are accounted for using a current financial resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, only current assets and current liabilities generally are included on the balance sheet. Operating statements of these funds present increases (i.e., revenues and other financing sources) and decreases (i.e., expenditures and other financing uses) in net current assets.

The modified accrual basis of accounting is used by all governmental fund types, expendable trust funds and agency funds. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when susceptible to accrual (i.e., when they become both measurable and available). "Measurable" means the amount of the transaction can be determined and "available" means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. A one year availability period is used for revenue recognition for all governmental fund revenues. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred.

Expenditures for insurance and similar services extending over more than one accounting period are accounted for as expenditures in the period of acquisition.

All proprietary fund types and nonexpendable trust funds are accounted for on a flow of economic resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, all assets and all liabilities associated with the operation of these funds are included in the balance sheet. Proprietary fund-type operating statements present increases (e.g., revenues) and decreases (e.g., expenses) in net total assets.

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

The accrual basis of accounting is utilized by proprietary fund types and nonexpendable trust funds. Under this method, revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred.

In reporting the financial activity of its proprietary fund, the District applies all applicable GASB pronouncements as well as the FASB pronouncements issued prior to November 30, 1989 as prescribed by GASB Statement No. 20.

Intergovernmental revenues received as reimbursements for specific purposes or projects are recognized at the time of receipt or earlier if measurable and available. Intergovernmental grants which are restricted for certain purposes are recognized at the same time the related expenditures are recognized. Any excess of revenues or expenditures is recorded as deferred revenue or accounts receivable, respectively.

Budgets and budgetary accounting

The principal, through and with the review committee, submits to the Board of Directors a proposed operating budget for the next fiscal year. The operating budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them. The budget is prepared and approved on the modified accrual basis of accounting. The proposed budget is published and warned for the annual budget meeting and is distributed to the voters of the district. All annual appropriations lapse at the end of the fiscal year.

The general fund budget does not include on behalf payments as a revenue or expense. These on behalf payments are contributions made by the State of Vermont to the state teachers' retirement system on behalf of the West Rutland's teaching employees.

Encumbrances represent commitments related to unperformed contracts for goods and services. Encumbrance accounting - under which purchase orders, contract, and other commitments for the expenditures of monies are recorded to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriation - is utilized in the general fund. Encumbrances outstanding at year end are reported as reservations of fund balances and do not constitute expenditures or liabilities because the commitments will be performed in the subsequent year.

Cash

Cash includes amounts in demand deposits and savings accounts.

Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable consists of amounts due from the State of Vermont for hot lunch and special education costs. It also includes amounts due from other Districts and the Supervisory Union for the reimbursement of expenditures. The receivables are reported net of an allowance of zero.

Short-Term Interfund Receivables/Payables

During the course of operations, transactions occur between individual funds for goods provided or services rendered. These receivables and payables are classified as "due from other funds" or "due to other funds" on the balance sheet. Short-term interfund loans are also classified in this manner.

Inventories

Inventory in the Food Service Enterprise Fund is valued at the lower of cost or market using the first-in, first-out basis. The food service inventory has U.S.D.A. commodities donated to it that are recorded as revenue when received and expenses when used. That portion of the inventory at June 30, 2000 which is federal commodities is also shown as a liability titled "unused donated commodities" since these are government assistance items and are not school assets. Inventoriable items in other funds are recorded as expenditures when purchased rather than when consumed.

Fixed Assets

Fixed assets are recorded as expenditures paid in the respective acquiring fund at the time of purchase. Such assets are not capitalized nor depreciated in these funds. Generally accepted accounting principles require that fixed assets used in governmental fund type operations be accounted for in a General Fixed Assets Account Group. Fixed assets used in the proprietary fund are required to be capitalized and depreciated in the proprietary fund. The School District, however, has not maintained a record of its general fixed assets, and accordingly, a General Fixed Assets Account Group has not been presented. Neither have fixed assets been recorded in the proprietary fund.

Compensated Absences

Vested or accumulated leave that is expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources is reported as an expenditure and a fund liability of the governmental funds that will pay it. Amounts of vested or accumulated leave that are not expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources are reported in the general long-term debt account group. No expenditure is reported for these amounts. The School District uses the vesting method to accrue sick leave. Accordingly, the accrual is based on the sick leave accumulated at the balance sheet date by those employees who currently are eligible to receive termination payments, as well as other employees who are expected to become eligible in the future to receive such payments. To calculate the liability, these accumulations are reduced to the maximum amount allowed as a termination payment. Accruals for those employees who are expected to become eligible in the future is based on assumptions concerning the probability that individual employees will become eligible.

The School District allows teachers to accumulate unused personal days and sick leave to a maximum of 200 days. A teacher, after ten consecutive years of service, shall collect \$45 per day on 60% of the accumulated unused personal and sick days up to 200 days. The accrual as of June 30, 2000 equaled \$75,425, and is recorded in the general long term debt account group.

Fund Equity

Reserves represent those portions of fund equity not appropriable for expenditures or which are legally segregated for a specific future use. Designated fund balances represent tentative plans for future use of financial resources.

Interfund Transactions

Quasi-external transactions are accounted for as revenues, expenditures or expenses. Transactions that constitute reimbursements to a fund for expenditures or expenses initially made from it that are properly applicable to another fund, are recorded as expenditures or expenses in the reimbursing fund and as reductions of expenditures or expenses in the fund that is reimbursed. All other interfund transactions, except quasi-external transactions and reimbursements, are reported as transfers. Nonrecurring or nonroutine permanent transfers of equity are reported as residual equity transfers. All other interfund transfers are reported as operating transfers.

Total Columns on Combined Financial Statements

Total columns on combined statements are captioned "memorandum only" to indicate that they are presented only to facilitate analysis. Data in these columns do not present financial positions, results of operations or changes in cash flows in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. Neither is such data comparable to a consolidation. Interfund eliminations have not been made in the aggregation of this data.

Risk Management

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The District maintains commercial insurance coverage covering each of those risks of loss. Management believes such coverage is sufficient to preclude any significant uninsured losses to the District. Settled claims have not exceeded commercial coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

In addition, the District is a member of Vermont School Boards Association Insurance Trust, Inc. (VSBIT) Medical Benefits Program and Unemployment Compensation Program. VSBIT is a nonprofit corporation formed in 1978 to provide insurance and risk management programs for Vermont school districts and is owned by the participating districts.

To provide health insurance coverage, VSBIT has established a self-funded fully insured program in conjunction with Blue Cross and Blue Shield (BCBS). A portion of member contributions is used to purchase reinsurance and to fund a reserve required by reinsurance. Contributions in excess of claims requirements, reserve funds requirements, reinsurance and administrative costs are returned to participants. The pooling agreement does not permit the pool to make additional assessments to members.

To provide unemployment coverage, VSBIT has established a separate trust of funds from member contributions to pay administrative costs, unemployment claims, and provide excess reinsurance protection. Contributions are based on payroll expense and the previous two year unemployment compensation experience. In the event that total contributions assessed to and made by all members result in an actual or projected financial deficit and VSBIT is unable to meet its required obligations, the Program will be terminated with each member assessed their proportional share of the deficit.

Retirement Incentive Plan

A retirement incentive benefit was included in the teachers contract effective from July 1, 1999 to June 30, 2001. An eligible teacher who meets certain conditions, has taught either full-time or part-time (prorated calculation) in the Town of West Rutland, Vermont School District for a minimum of twenty years, and retires under the plan shall receive payments totaling \$32,000. This will be paid in four equal annual installments; the first installment is due and payable on July 15, following the date of the teacher's retirement; subsequent annual installments will be paid on July 15 each year. The contract also requires the District to pay a portion of the teacher's health insurance for a period of two years after retirement. The District is funding this on a pay-as-you-go basis. As of June 30, 2000, three teachers are covered under this retirement Incentive Benefit Plan. No teachers were receiving the health insurance benefit during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2000. An expense of \$24,000 was recorded during the 1999-00 fiscal year for this plan. The amount accrued as of June 30, 2000 equaled \$56,000. This amount is recorded in the general long term debt account group.

Note 2. Reconciliation of Budgetary Basis and GAAP

The accompanying statement of revenues and expenditures - budget and actual - general fund presents comparisons of the legally adopted budget (more fully described in Note 1) with actual data on a budgetary basis. Because accounting principles applied for purposes of developing data on a budgetary basis differ significantly from those used to present financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles, a reconciliation of resultant basis, timing, perspective, and entity differences in the excess of revenues over expenditures for the year ended June 30, 2000, is presented below:

General Fund	
Deficiency of revenues over expenditures (budgetary basis)	(\$106,202)
Adjustments:	
To record encumbrances expensed this year	(\$ 14,559)
To adjust for on behalf pension revenues	53,665
To adjust for on behalf pension expenditures	(53,665)
To record expenditures for special capital projects	(99,496)
To record technology grant revenue	23,728
To record technology grant expenditures	(23,728)
Deficiency of revenues over expenditures (GAAP basis)	(\$220,257)

Note 3. Public Employees' Retirement System

Municipal Employees' Retirement System

The non-teaching employees of Town of West Rutland, Vermont School District are covered by the Vermont Municipal Employees' Retirement System which is a cost-sharing multiple employer retirement system. All full-time employees of participating employers are eligible to participate in the Plan on their date of hire. Group A members contribute at a rate of 3%, Group B members contribute at a rate of 5% and Group C members contribute at a rate of 11% of payroll. The retirement benefit is equal to from 1.0 percent to 1.4 percent of their final average three or five year compensation, depending on the dates of service, for each year of credited service, up to a maximum of 50 percent of the applicable average compensation. Employer and employee contribution for the fiscal year were not material to the financial statements. There are no Group B or C members in the district.

Additional information regarding the Vermont Municipal Employees' Retirement system is available upon request from the State of Vermont.

State Teachers' Retirement System

The teachers employed by Town of West Rutland, Vermont School District are covered by the State Teachers' Retirement System of Vermont which is a multiple employer retirement system. The Vermont State Statutes provide the authority under which benefit provisions and the State's obligation to contribute are established. Required contributions to the system are made by the State of Vermont based upon a valuation report prepared by the System's actuary.

All teachers become members of the Retirement System upon employment. The membership is made up of contributory members from the "Old System" (Group A) who contribute at a rate of 5.5%, vested members of the non-contributory system (Group B) and members of the new contributory system who contribute at a rate of 3.4% of covered payroll (Group C). District members contributed \$53,751. Vesting occurs upon reaching ten years of creditable service. Town of West Rutland, Vermont School District's current year payroll for all employees totaled \$2,176,134 while its current year covered payroll for the State Teachers' Retirement Plan equaled \$1,570,640. The System's total contribution for the fiscal year 2000 was \$37,199,463. The amount of the contribution made on behalf of the Town of West Rutland, Vermont School District's teachers by the State of Vermont is approximately \$53,665 for the year ended June 30, 2000.

Note 3.

Public Employees' Retirement System (Continued)

State Teachers' Retirement System (Continued)

Additional information regarding the State Teacher's Retirement System of Vermont is available upon request from the State of Vermont.

Note 4.

Cash Deposits in Financial Institutions

The School District's cash deposits with financial institutions at June 30, 2000 were \$492,420.

The balances are categorized as follows:

	Carrying Amount	Bank Balance
Insured by FDIC and FSLIC	\$183,900	\$205,045
Uninsured-Collateralized with securities held By the pledging financial institution's agent In the District's name	308,520	431,618
Uninsured and uncollateralized	-	-
Total	\$492,420	\$636,663

Due to higher cash flows at certain times during the year, the District's uninsured and uncollateralized deposits at those times may be substantially higher than at year end.

Note 5.

General Long Term Debt Account Group

The following is a summary of debt transactions for the Town of West Rutland School District for the year ended June 30, 2000:

	Debt payable at July 1, 1999	Debt Added	Debt Retired	Debt Payable at June 30, 2000
Accrued retirements	\$ 80,000	\$ 0	\$ 24,000	\$ 56,000
Notes payable	22,841	0	9,950	12,891
Bond payable	1,030,000	0	60,000	970,000
Total long term debt	1,132,841	0	93,950	1,038,891
Accrued compensated absences	68,513	6,912	0	75,425
Total long term obligations	\$1,201,354	\$6,912	\$93,950	\$1,114,316

Long-term obligation outstanding at June 30, 2000 consisted of the following:

United States of America, Asbestos loan, Due 5/30/11, interest at 0%, payments of \$2,500, unsecured (this is a joint loan with another school in the same supervisory union)	4,691
Vermont National Bank, Current Expense Note, Due 1/21/00, but to be financed over a period not to exceed 7 years, interest currently at 3.8%, unsecured	8,200
Accrued retirement agreements (See Note 1)	56,000

Note 5. General Long Term Debt Account Group (Continued)

Vermont Municipal Bond Bank, general obligation bond,
Due 12/1/16, interest due semiannually at 4 to 6.1%,
\$60,000 principal due annually on 12/1 until 12/1/06
at which time the principal payments decrease to
\$55,000 due annually on 12/1.

970,000

Total long-term debt

1,038,891

Accrued compensated absences (See Note 1)

75,425

Total long-term obligations

\$1,114,316

Total interest paid on all debt during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2000 amounted to \$56,240.

Maturities of the long-term debt with scheduled payments are as follows:

Year ending
June 30

2001	\$ 94,700
2002	86,191
2003	68,000
2004	60,000
2005	60,000
Thereafter	<u>670,000</u>

Total

\$1,038,891

Note 6. Tax Anticipation Note

The District had a \$300,000 tax anticipation note outstanding at June 30, 2000. The note was at 4.75% and was paid in September 2000.

Note 7. General Fund Expenditures

The General Fund expenditures of \$3,575,625 exceed appropriations by \$74,560.

Note 8. Contingent Liabilities

Amounts received or receivable from grantor agencies are subject to audit and adjustment by grantor agencies. Any disallowed claims, including amounts already collected, may constitute a liability of the applicable funds. The amount, if any, of expenditures which may be disallowed by the grantor cannot be determined at this time although the government expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.

Note 9. Commitments

The Schools' copiers are leased from SymQuest Group, Inc. through an operating lease on a per copy basis. The 36 month non-cancelable lease will expire in February 2001. Rent expense for this lease in 2000-01 was \$9,633.

Scheduled payments for the lease are:

2001

\$9,633

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

TOWN OF WEST RUTLAND, VERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT
GENERAL FUND
STATEMENT OF REVENUES
BUDGET AND ACTUAL (BUDGETARY BASIS)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2000

	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
PROPERTY TAXES	\$731,232	\$317,854	(\$413,378)
STATE AND FEDERAL GRANTS			
General	2,173,443	2,582,721	409,278
Transporation Aid	15,900	24,570	8,670
Construction Aid	0	6,458	6,458
Computer Count System	0	4,150	4,150
Driver Ed Reimbursement	0	2,173	2,173
Vocational Reimbursement	6,750	6,962	212
Other Grants	0	1,000	1,000
Special Education:			
Intensive Reimbursement	155,000	190,728	35,728
Mainstream Block Grant	106,003	106,003	0
EEEP Grant	14,432	14,432	0
Total State and Federal Grants	2,471,528	2,939,197	467,669
LOCAL INCOME			
Tuition	273,900	191,400	(82,500)
Interest Income	7,000	15,654	8,654
Athletic Receipts	3,500	4,000	500
Miscellaneous Income	110	321	211
Rental Income	0	147	147
Bus Sale	0	5,000	5,000
Total Local Income	284,510	216,522	(67,988)
TOTAL REVENUES	\$3,487,270	\$3,473,573	(\$13,697)

TOWN OF WEST RUTLAND, VERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT
GENERAL FUND
STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES
BUDGET AND ACTUAL (BUDGETARY BASIS)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2000

	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
REGULAR INSTRUCTION			
Salary - Teachers and Aides	\$1,333,146	\$1,279,710	\$53,436
Salary - Substitutes	15,860	74,370	(58,510)
Health Insurance	175,119	179,989	(4,870)
Social Security	103,200	103,058	142
Group Life Insurance	4,864	4,814	50
Retirement	1,547	450	1,097
Workmen's Compensation	2,559	2,563	(4)
Unemployment Compensation	3,424	5,667	(2,243)
Professional Development	18,500	19,944	(1,444)
Dental Insurance	9,145	10,920	(1,775)
Purchased Service	2,550	1,910	640
Repairs and Maintenance	16,750	19,667	(2,917)
Communications & Postage	900	1	899
Tuition	0	0	0
Supplies Used in Classroom	36,700	27,094	9,606
Books and Periodicals	26,800	24,621	2,179
Audiovisual Materials	2,050	1,221	829
Manipulatives	2,000	1,944	56
Computer Software	1,200	656	544
Machinery	700	700	0
Furniture & Fixtures	6,050	5,633	417
Other Equipment	13,600	15,600	(2,000)
Technology Literacy Grant - Net	0	0	0
Dues and Fees	0	0	0
Total Regular Instruction	1,776,664	1,780,532	(3,868)
ATHLETICS			
Salary - Coaches	26,850	19,800	7,050
Social Security	2,054	1,515	539
Workmen's Compensation	51	425	(374)
Unemployment Compensation	255	313	(58)
Professional Training	2,000	700	1,300
Special Police	450	0	450
Repairs and Maintenance	3,500	3,562	(62)
Athletic Insurance	475	608	(133)
Travel	1,500	995	505
Purchased Services - Officials	11,190	9,114	2,076
Supplies	5,300	5,843	(543)
Equipment	0	0	0
Dues and Fees	1,300	1,516	(216)
Total Athletics	54,925	44,391	10,534

TOWN OF WEST RUTLAND, VERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT
GENERAL FUND
STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES
BUDGET AND ACTUAL (BUDGETARY BASIS)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2000

	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
SPECIAL EDUCATION			
Direct Services			
Salary - Teachers	154,850	157,618	(2,768)
Wages - Instruction Assistants	123,370	148,103	(24,733)
Salary - Substitutes	2,800	1,335	1,465
Health Insurance	21,565	23,654	(2,089)
Social Security	20,805	23,069	(2,264)
Group Life Insurance	1,237	1,233	4
Retirement	4,390	5,065	(675)
Workmen's Compensation	517	517	0
Unemployment Compensation	1,282	2,200	(918)
Professional Development	2,000	889	1,111
Dental Insurance	1,269	1,283	(14)
Purchased Service	1,500	12,923	(11,423)
Tuition	65,000	35,360	29,640
Travel	250	412	(162)
Supplies	3,000	6,504	(3,504)
Books and Periodicals	200	0	200
Software	100	100	0
Other Equipment	0	0	0
Dues and Fees	0	0	0
Total Direct Services	404,135	420,265	(16,130)
Student Support Services			
Occupational and Physical Therapy	10,200	13,225	(3,025)
Educational & Diagnostic Services	9,000	9,756	(756)
Speech Language Services			
Salary -Teacher & Aide	5,048	4,877	171
Social Security	386	373	13
Workmen's Compensation	10	10	0
Unemployment Compensation	48	118	(70)
Purchased Service-Speech	10,000	27,424	(17,424)
Supplies	500	211	289
Audiological Purchased Services	200	56	144
Total Student Support Services	35,392	56,050	(20,658)
Essential Early Education	31,092	31,092	0
Administrative			
Administrative Assessment	14,870	14,870	0
Student Transportation	21,000	31,379	(10,379)
Total Administration	35,870	46,249	(10,379)
Total Special Education	506,489	553,656	(47,167)

TOWN OF WEST RUTLAND, VERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT
GENERAL FUND
STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES
BUDGET AND ACTUAL (BUDGETARY BASIS)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2000

	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
VOCATIONAL EDUCATION			
Tuition	40,394	41,762	(1,368)
STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES			
Wages	24,401	28,155	(3,754)
Group Health	2,533	5,129	(2,596)
Social Security	1,867	1,882	(15)
Group Life Insurance	55	0	55
Retirement	1,025	1,041	(16)
Workers Comp	46	46	0
Unemployment	76	118	(42)
Professional Development	350	110	240
Purchased Services	3,000	3,948	(948)
Supervision	1,600	3,075	(1,475)
Travel	700	374	326
Supplies	150	253	(103)
Books	50	28	22
Total Student Support	35,853	44,159	(8,306)
GUIDANCE SERVICES			
Salary - Guidance	85,739	71,019	14,720
Health Insurance	13,528	15,449	(1,921)
Social Security	6,544	5,083	1,461
Group Life Insurance	315	215	100
Retirement	1,548	932	616
Workmen's Compensation	163	163	0
Unemployment Compensation	230	360	(130)
Professional Development	700	525	175
Dental Insurance	590	535	55
Academic Testing	3,000	1,145	1,855
Travel	150	0	150
Supplies	300	163	137
Books and Periodicals	600	475	125
Computer Software	700	675	25
Dues and Fees	200	0	200
Total Guidance Services	114,307	96,739	17,568

TOWN OF WEST RUTLAND, VERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT
GENERAL FUND
STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES
BUDGET AND ACTUAL (BUDGETARY BASIS)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2000

	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
HEALTH SERVICES			
Salary - Nurse	25,518	24,525	993
Salary - Substitute	250	690	(440)
Health Insurance	6,553	6,556	(3)
Social Security	1,971	1,912	59
Group Life Insurance	130	138	(8)
Workmen's Compensation	49	49	0
Unemployment Compensation	78	121	(43)
Professional Development	500	105	395
Dental Insurance	295	294	1
Repairs and Maintenance	175	0	175
Supplies	800	2,191	(1,391)
Other Equipment	900	180	720
Furniture & Fixtures	400	0	400
Total Health Services	37,619	36,761	858
LIBRARY AND MEDIA SERVICES			
Salary - Library Service	53,341	53,867	(526)
Salary - Substitute	225	535	(310)
Health Insurance	4,870	4,872	(2)
Social Security	4,098	4,142	(44)
Group Life Insurance	185	248	(63)
Retirement	399	421	(22)
Workmen's Compensation	102	102	0
Unemployment Compensation	154	239	(85)
Professional Development	500	0	500
Dental Insurance	295	321	(26)
Repairs and Maintenance	1,400	381	1,019
Communications	300	0	300
Travel	50	0	50
Supplies	1,000	1,254	(254)
Books and Periodicals	7,000	4,629	2,371
Audiovisual Materials	2,000	898	1,102
Computer Software	4,000	3,574	426
Other Equipment	1,000	289	711
Total Library & Media Services	80,919	75,772	5,147

TOWN OF WEST RUTLAND, VERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT
GENERAL FUND
STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES
BUDGET AND ACTUAL (BUDGETARY BASIS)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2000

	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
GENERAL ADMINISTRATION			
Salary - School Board	4,200	4,200	0
Salary - Board Secretary	750	567	183
Social Security	379	321	58
Workmen's Compensation	32	8	24
Unemployment Insurance	40	69	(29)
Purchased Services-Election Service	1,550	218	1,332
Legal Services	2,200	2,573	(373)
Audit	4,500	4,500	0
Supervisory Union Fee	112,102	112,102	0
Liability Insurance	1,100	676	424
Advertising	3,500	9,427	(5,927)
Travel	225	0	225
Supplies	750	2,532	(1,782)
Annual Report	700	630	70
Election Supplies	500	353	147
Dues and Fees	1,375	1,375	0
Contingency	0	656	(656)
Total General Administration	133,903	140,207	(6,304)
SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION			
Salary - Administration	125,447	138,161	(12,714)
Salary - Substitute	1,500	623	877
Health Insurance	10,327	10,333	(6)
Social Security	9,711	10,601	(890)
Group Life Insurance	248	331	(83)
Retirement	921	955	(34)
Workmen's Compensation	241	241	0
Unemployment Compensation	242	375	(133)
Professional Development	4,850	5,953	(1,103)
Dental Insurance	1,076	1,591	(515)
Repairs and Maintenance	0	60	(60)
Telephone and Postage	8,500	7,523	977
Printing & Binding	600	688	(88)
Graduation Expense	1,200	2,197	(997)
Travel	1,000	880	120
Supplies	5,500	4,224	1,276
Other Equipment	5,500	5,029	471
Dues and Fees	2,400	2,515	(115)
Total School Administration	179,263	192,280	(13,017)
FISCAL SERVICES			
Purchased Service - Treasurer	5,197	5,197	0
Purchased Service - Bookkeeper	5,000	5,000	0
Supplies, Bank Charges & Fees	1,450	1,993	(543)
Interest	8,500	2,362	6,138
Total Fiscal Services	20,147	14,552	5,595

TOWN OF WEST RUTLAND, VERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT
GENERAL FUND
STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES
BUDGET AND ACTUAL (BUDGETARY BASIS)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2000

	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
BUILDING MAINTENANCE			
Salary - Custodians	97,479	117,632	(20,153)
Salary - Custodians-OT	2,500	2,433	67
Health Insurance	18,996	23,594	(4,598)
Social Security	6,238	9,151	(2,913)
Group Life Insurance	221	221	0
Employee's Retirement	3,343	4,319	(976)
Workmen's Compensation	1,436	1,588	(152)
Unemployment Insurance	452	581	(129)
Dental Insurance	0	441	(441)
Grounds Maintenance	5,000	4,747	253
Water & Sewer	6,335	7,848	(1,513)
Refuse Removal	8,500	10,241	(1,741)
Snow Plowing Services	4,500	2,405	2,095
Repairs and Maintenance	22,000	28,931	(6,931)
Property and Liability Insurance	8,197	4,829	1,368
Travel	100	100	0
Supplies	32,000	16,608	15,392
Electricity	60,000	62,167	(2,167)
Fuel Oil	35,000	45,997	(10,997)
Equipment	4,500	4,756	(256)
Furniture and Fixtures	1,000	946	54
Total Building Maintenance	315,797	349,535	(33,738)
PUPIL TRANSPORTATION			
Salary-Crossing Guard	2,133	2,331	(198)
Social Security	163	150	13
Workmen's Compensation	62	9	53
Unemployment Insurance	20	0	20
Purchased Service	51,000	51,000	0
Extra Purchased Services	24,800	24,139	661
Total Pupil Transportation	78,178	77,629	549
DEBT SERVICE			
Asbestos Loan	2,500	2,500	0
School Addition	115,662	115,662	0
Roof & Doors	8,445	9,488	(1,043)
Total Debt Service	126,607	127,650	(1,043)
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$3,501,065	\$3,575,625	(\$74,560)

TOWN OF WEST RUTLAND, VERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT
FIDUCIARY FUND
BALANCE SHEET
NONEXPENDABLE TRUST FUND
June 30, 2000

	Harold Carl Anderson Memorial Scholarship Fund
ASSETS	
Savings	\$23,506
TOTAL ASSETS	\$23,506
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	\$1,500
FUND BALANCES	
Reserved	22,000
Unreserved - Designated	6
Total Fund Balances	22,006
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	\$23,506

TOWN OF WEST RUTLAND, VERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT
FIDUCIARY FUND
STATEMENT OF REVENUE, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
NONEXPENDABLE TRUST FUND
For the Year Ended June 30, 2000

	Harold Carl Anderson Memorial Scholarship Fund	
REVENUE		
Interest Earned	\$937	
Total Revenue	<u>937</u>	
EXPENSES		
Awards	<u>1,000</u>	
Total Expenses	<u>1,000</u>	
EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER (UNDER) EXPENSES	(63)	
FUND BALANCE - Beginning of year	22,069	
FUND BALANCE - End of year	<u>\$22,006</u>	

TOWN OF WEST RUTLAND, VERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF AGENCY FUND ACTIVITY
STUDENT ACTIVITY FUNDS
For the Year Ended June 30, 2000

	July 1, 1999 Balance	Receipts	Expense	June 30, 2000 Balance
Afterschool Programs	\$0	\$1,814	\$1,391	\$423
Athletic Association	0	4199	3623	576
Band & Chorus	183	5,638	5,610	211
Linda Barker	6	0	0	6
Beaulieu's Class	335	4,565	4,012	888
Box Tops	190	15	0	205
Caliguiri/Salingo 2002	686	188	16	858
Chamberlain Class	90	0	0	90
Cheerleaders	100	523	623	0
Class of 1995	223	0	0	223
Class of 1997	229	0	0	229
Class of 1998	0	104	0	104
CSC Account	571	160	711	20
Community Partnership	47	0	0	47
Computer Disks	109	2	0	111
Drama	65	7,400	5,261	2,204
Flag Pole	0	350	0	350
Foods Class	0	154	0	154
Foreign Language	1,791	513	2,056	248
GMTI	132	0	0	132
Kulig's Class	0	1,412	1,000	412
Library	815	2,995	2,180	1,630
Lock Account	707	195	405	497
S. Loomis Class	0	339	125	214
Math	5	0	0	5
National Honor Society	96	108	79	125
Pawlusiak's Class	0	656	503	153
Phys. Ed	10	0	0	10
Principal's Account	517	5,600	5,714	403
Project Graduation	0	6,128	5,000	1,128
Pro/Wil/Mag	313	0	0	313
Rainbow	1	0	0	1
SADD	222	0	0	222
Scholarships	0	3,600	3,100	500
School Pictures	315	2,245	2,556	4
School Store	118	25	69	74
Science/Math	350	0	315	35
Ski Club	50	0	50	0
Student Council	447	603	645	405
Tech Ed.	175	1,197	1,331	41
Tondonato/Loomis	2,302	2,493	2,567	2,228
Turgeon's Class	0	1,393	1,395	(2)
VKAT	0	850	473	377
Washington D.C. 99/00	0	12,360	12,306	54
Washington D.C. 00/01	0	1,284	394	890
Year Book	1,079	7,708	8,668	119
Total	<u>\$12,279</u>	<u>\$76,816</u>	<u>\$72,178</u>	<u>16,917</u>

TOWN OF WEST RUTLAND, VERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT
FIDUCIARY FUND
BALANCE SHEET
EXPENDABLE TRUST FUND
June 30, 2000

	Capital Construction
ASSETS	
Cash	<u>\$839</u>
Total Assets	<u><u>\$839</u></u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	
Liabilities	\$0
Fund Balance	<u>839</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	<u><u>\$839</u></u>

TOWN OF WEST RUTLAND, VERMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT
FIDUCIARY FUND
STATEMENT OF REVENUE, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN
FUND BALANCE - EXPENDABLE TRUST FUND
For the Year Ended June 30, 2000

	Capital Construction
REVENUE	
Interest	<u>\$21</u>
Total Income	<u>21</u>
EXPENDITURES	
Capital projects	<u>0</u>
Excess of revenue over (under) expenditures	21
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	
Operating transfers of funds	<u>0</u>
Excess of revenue and other sources Over (under) expenditures and other uses	21
Fund Balance, Beginning of year	<u>818</u>
Fund Balance, End of Year	<u><u>\$839</u></u>

DO YOU HAVE YOUR 911 NUMBERS ON YOUR HOUSE?

NO?

HOW DO YOU THINK THE AMBULANCE, FIRE TRUCK OR POLICE WILL BE ABLE TO FIND YOU?

Someone died last week in Rutland because the ambulance couldn't find the house. We have new streets, new houses, new firemen, new ambulance drivers, and new police. THINGS HAVE CHANGED!!!

And the only way anyone is going to find you is by the 911 numbers on your house. So please post your numbers. If you have problems with posting, please call the Town Clerk at 438-2204. We have people that will help you.

ENHANCED 9-1-1 REPORT

Statewide System Operations

The General Assembly has charged the Enhanced 9-1-1 Board with the responsibility for supervising the operation of statewide enhanced 9-1-1. The Board has established benchmarks for system performance based on nationally accepted standards. The Board fulfills its responsibilities by monitoring and auditing the database, network, Public Safety Answering Points and call-taker components of the system to assure that established performance standards are met. The Board assures compliance with the Federal ADA, trains and certifies the 9-1-1 call-takers, maintains the statewide enhanced 9-1-1 GIS database, and disseminates information about 9-1-1. The Board is active at the state and national level on a variety of issues that impact enhanced 9-1-1 service.

Network Performance

Statistics provided are for the period December 1, 1999 through November 30, 2000.

Total 9-1-1 Calls Received	171,492
Total Cellular 9-1-1 Calls Received	46,619
Total Abandoned 9-1-1 Calls	11% of total (average)
Call Set Up Time	1.5 seconds
Time to Answer	4 seconds (average)

The enhanced 9-1-1 network continues to perform within established benchmarks.

Please Post Your House Numbers

Local emergency responders have asked the Board to deliver an urgent message to residence and business owners. Please post your 9-1-1 address if you have not already done so. Please post your 9-1-1 address where it can be seen by responders, even at night. Some neighborhoods have a confusing mixture of old and new numbers, so if you have not taken down your old number and replaced it with your new number, please do so right away. Your life or that of someone you love may depend on it.



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This has been a year of growth and change for The HomeOwnership Center at Rutland West as we continue to build our capacity to meet the needs of West Rutland and other Rutland County residents.

Since Rutland West Neighborhood Housing Services opened its full service HomeOwnership Center in 1996, more than a thousand area residents have taken advantage of the financial counseling, homebuyer's education, and access to affordable loans offered at the Center. In 2000 alone, 100 families attended the monthly homebuyer seminars and 32 families (including five from West Rutland) became new homeowners with help from Rutland West's HomeOwnership Center - one of the five NeighborWorks® HomeOwnership Centers of Vermont.

Activity in the past year helped Rutland West achieve the board's goal of reinvesting \$12 million in new capital into the Rutland region between 1997 and 2000. In addition, West Rutland is one of the 11 towns that will benefit from the \$660,000 Community Development Block Grant awarded the Rutland West consortium for new housing rehabilitation loans.

In 2000, Rutland West responded to 38 requests for service from West Rutland residents. Rehab lending in West Rutland, combined with homeownership lending, resulted in more than \$355,000 of investment in your community. We are most grateful for the leadership of West Rutland residents Jayne Pratt and Darby Gorham who serve on our board of directors along with Town Manager Jason Simcock.

Our HomeOwnership Center is on Marble Street in West Rutland. The Rutland West office is next door in the West Rutland Town Hall. Call us at 438-2303. We welcome your interest and participation. Together we can continue to build strong communities.

a NeighborWorks® HomeOwnership Center of Vermont

THE CARVINGSTUDIO & SCULPTURECENTER

January 15, 2001

Dear Selectboard,

It gives me great pleasure to express our appreciation for the continued success in achieving mutual goals for the benefit of the West Rutland community. It seems fitting that at the beginning of the new year we should consider the events and accomplishments of the past and shared aspirations of the future.

In July of 2000 we announced our capital campaign and five year plan to purchase and renovate a portion of the Gawet property, an effort which will enable us to expand our educational programs. Enrollment for workshops has increased by 40% since 1998 and we believe that there is a need and demand to offer programs beyond the current seasonal operation.

A major part of our success stems from a cooperative relationship between the residents, businesses and municipal officials of the Town of West Rutland. We are ever grateful to West Rutland residents and merchants for the kind hospitality shown to our students and instructors. Whether it is offering accommodations in local homes or purchasing goods or serving lunch at the nearby restaurants, visitors recount their pleasant experiences which reflect well on all of us.

Collaborative projects between the Town of West Rutland and the Carving Studio contribute to the revitalization of Marble Street and the development of a heritage trail. Beginning at the Town Hall, pedestrians can walk along new sidewalks and past recently renovated commercial buildings towards the historic marble quarries that are home to the Carving Studio and Sculpture Center. Along the way, the Marble Street Park and the Memorial Park commemorating the workers of the marble industry offer a resting place for visible signs of a former thriving mill town. The newly renovated Smyrski building will be ready for occupancy in February. The Carving Studio will lease the commercial space and plans to organize contemporary sculpture exhibits as well as a display of historic photos tracing the marble industry in West Rutland.

Our most recent collaboration to apply for a state grant to extend the town sewer line to the Carving Studio property represents strong support of our vision to continue revitalization and prosperity to West Rutland. It has been an honor to work with you and we look forward to future projects.

Sincerely,

Carol Driscoll
 Executive Director

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January 2, 2001

Attn: Members of the Selectboard
Town of West Rutland
PO Box 115
West Rutland, VT 05777

Dear Members of the Selectboard,

Each year we seek minimum funding support from the towns in our service area. The support we receive provides direct services to help low income families meet their basic needs – food, fuel, utilities and safe, affordable housing.

During fiscal year 2000 (10/1/99-9/30/00), BROC helped many residents in West Rutland. The services we provided to them included:

- \$ 9,111.37 in direct services for 79 households through our Community Services & Outreach department,
- 1,212 meals to 91 individuals through our emergency food shelf,
- \$12,991.32 in Energy Conservation & Weatherization measures for 11 individuals,
- \$12,852.00 in reimbursement to day care home providers to ensure the nutritional growth of approximately 50 low income children,
- 4 individuals came through our Micro Business Development Program, and
- staff worked with 3 homeless families to secure housing

Our appropriation request from the Town of West Rutland is \$1,250.00.

Thank you for your consideration of this request on behalf of BROC and residents with low income in your community.

Sincerely,


Linda G. Rooker
Executive Director

LGR/pas
Enclosure

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RUTLAND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

Rutland Mental Health Services appreciates the Town of West Rutland's support for local services, which becomes more critical as we deal with changes in the way health care is provided, while consistently maintaining a high standard of quality.

Rutland Mental Health Services (RMHS) asks the citizens of West Rutland to continue to support our services provided by the following programs:

- The Evergreen Center is a comprehensive mental health and substance abuse outpatient treatment center which serves children, adolescents and adults through a variety of programs provided by psychiatrists, social workers, psychologists, activity therapists, mental health counselors, nurses and drug and alcohol counselors.
- Community Access Program assists people with developmental disabilities in achieving their personal goals. Services are provided throughout Rutland County.

During the fiscal year 2000, Rutland Mental Health Services provided 54,887 hours of service to 134 West Rutland area residents. RMHS provides comprehensive mental health and substance abuse treatment as well as services to developmentally disabled people. These services are provided regardless of ability to pay. Fees collected cover only a portion of the actual cost.

The generous financial support of towns such as West Rutland assures that quality services will be available for their families, friends and neighbors. This year's request is for \$3,304.00. We invite you to contact our agency (775-8224) with any questions you may have.

Mark G. Monson
President/Chief Executive Officer

Victoria Young, Chairperson
Board of Directors

Mission statements are typically not something that most outside observers care about one way or another. People judge an organization by its actions, not its words - a lesson we learned fairly recently. We like to describe our mission statement as a "recipe for action" because our core business is implementation. In fact, our guiding principles say it all.

- We are committed to the concept that the standard of living and quality of life of the region's citizens can best be served by a vibrant, healthy economy, sensitive to the environment and preservation of our cultural heritage.
- We believe this can best be served through the principles of a competitive market economy that encourages diverse and profitable businesses so as to provide a stable economic base for well paying jobs and taxable business income.

We will assertively and continuously advocate the development of a business, economic and public policy climate that encourages investment, sustains and grows employment and rewards success. We will actively seek to attract, invest in and retain businesses and industries that provide challenging, meaningful and rewarding employment opportunities for our citizens. We leverage and strengthen Rutland County's economic development assets by coordinating and cooperating with regional organizations, local governments and educational institutions. We also serve as a catalyst and proponent for the development of the state's economic development infrastructure. And, we manage our organization's financial resources skillfully and responsibly, so that we are able to fulfill our mission vigorously over the long term.

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A Comprehensive Medicare Certified Home Health Agency

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Ronald J. Cioffi, Executive Director
Mark Foley, President, Board of Directors

Town of West Rutland

TO THE TOWN MANAGER, OFFICERS AND CITIZENS OF WEST RUTLAND.

This past year in home health care has been as dynamic and challenging as any RAVNAH has faced, and this coming year promises to be even more demanding. We have seen Medicare revenues drop over 30% with another 15% cut expected next year. We have seen a more restrictive interpretation of the Medicare regulations. Groups of patients have lost access to home care nationwide, particularly individuals with diabetes or stroke, patients requiring frequent wound care, and frail, elderly and disabled individuals with chronic conditions who do not have a caregiver at home.

There will be a new payment system scheduled for implementation on October 1, 2000. Combine the above with a national labor shortage of nurses and licensed nursing assistants and you can see why it has been a busy year at RAVNAH. Successfully meeting our goals will be the key to continuing our mission of providing medically necessary home and community health services.

These challenges are viewed as opportunities to improve our performance in all aspects of operations, from the flow of paperwork to the delivery of services in the home; and they present us with a chance to strengthen our partnership with patients, their families and their physicians to achieve the highest quality care. We will emphasize the importance of becoming as independent as possible by teaching patients and their loved ones the skills necessary to manage and direct their own care. We will continue to encourage productivity while achieving positive clinical outcomes, in fewer visits, thereby containing costs.

Despite the turmoil in our industry, RAVNAH's dedicated staff and volunteers made over 98,400 visits to 2,396 individual patients. In the town of West Rutland we provided 4,015 visits to 114 individuals.

To the many individuals, organizations, cities, towns and the United Way that have supported us during 1999, we are truly thankful. To our caring and dedicated employees and volunteers who daily perform deeds above and beyond the call of duty, we are grateful. Without your dedication RAVNAH would not survive the massive changes in our industry and be able to serve our area by providing needed home and community health services. Again, we say thank you for your support.



Joint Commission
on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations
A United Way Member Agency



ANNUAL REPORT - 2000 RUTLAND REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

The Commission's Mission is to "provide leadership and technical expertise to encourage cooperative planning with and among the region's communities and area wide interests; and, strive to improve the quality of life for people in the region by promoting harmony between sustainable economic development, environmental interests and other planning issues."

In pursuit of that Mission, the Commission continued to work closely with the region's 27 communities to create a cooperative and positive planning process and:

- Provided technical assistance on planning and zoning issues to communities including Benson, Brandon, Clarendon, Castleton, Danby, Middletown Springs, Hubbardton, Fair Haven, Pittsford, Proctor, Poultney, Rutland Town, Rutland City, Sudbury, Tinmouth, Wallingford and West Rutland;
- Assisted West Rutland, Tinmouth, Danby, Proctor, Shrewsbury, Poultney, Hubbardton, Rutland City and Castleton apply successfully for funds through the Local Planning Assistance Grant programs;
- Continued our very successful cooperative purchasing program and saved Brandon, Castleton, Chittenden, Clarendon, Danby, Fair Haven, Hubbardton, Ira, Killington, Mendon, Middletown Springs, Pawlet, Poultney, Rutland City, Shrewsbury, Tinmouth, Wallingford, Wells, West Rutland, non-profits and school districts substantial amounts on their fuel oil, diesel and gasoline;
- Continued support of the Rutland Region Transportation Council in their planning for the future transportation needs of the Rutland Region.
- Continued providing maps and other data using our geographic information system which helps local decision making;
- Worked with the Rutland Economic Development Corporation and the Rutland Region Chamber of Commerce, on a regional strategy to better coordinate planning, economic development and travel and tourism activities; continued support of the Rutland Region Education Alliance in their work to improve education and training in the Rutland Region and help prepare all students for the community and the workplace;
- Updated the Transportation Section of the Regional Plan as well as the Education, Public Facilities, Housing and Energy Sections. The Plan was re-adopted for another five years;
- Began preparation of a Regional Development Strategy in cooperation with a number of other regional organizations. The Strategy will be used to update the Economic Activity Element of the Plan.

Please join us as we continue these and other efforts to generate regional cooperation and make planning in Rutland County a truly grassroots process.

For the thirteenth consecutive year, dues will remain at \$500. All communities are voting members of the Commission regardless of whether or not they pay dues. Dues paying members receive discounted technical services and are able to participate in the cooperative fuel purchasing program.

RUTLAND REGION TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL

The Rutland Region Transportation Council promotes cooperation and coordination on transportation issues in the Rutland Region. Formed in December of 1992, the Transportation Council provides a forum for the development of regional transportation policies and priorities and coordinates the implementation of those policies and priorities with the Vermont Agency of Transportation. State and federal funds are obtained by the Rutland Regional Planning Commission, which provides the financial support for the Council. The Planning Commission also provides planning, administrative, and geographic information system staff.

All municipalities in the Rutland Region are encouraged to be active in the Transportation Council and those with representatives named to the Council may vote. Municipalities are not obligated to participate in the Council and those that do participate may cease their involvement at any time.

Over the last fiscal year (October 1999 – September 2000), the Rutland Region Transportation Council and its staff have been working for improved transportation in Rutland County in the following ways:

- Provided comments to the Vermont Agency of Transportation on the development on the state FY 2001 transportation Capital Budget and program;
- Continued to assess Rutland Region's top transportation problems and identified areas that should undergo further evaluation;
- Participated in "Scoping" (pre-engineering) activities to advance local highway and bridge projects;
- Continued to address seasonal transportation problems along VT 103, VT 100, and US 4 by working with staff of neighboring Regional Planning Commissions;
- Participated in the development of the US 4/US 7 Draft EIS preferred alternative to upgrade US 4 and US 7;
- Cooperated with the Agency of Transportation as it prepared freight movement study and trucking study;
- Continued to update the Rutland Region Transportation Plan in conjunction with the Rutland Regional Planning Commission;
- Informed communities of opportunities presented by new state transportation programs;
- Provided input to consultants preparing update of Rutland Airport Capital Facilities Plan;
- Assisted communities by collecting traffic data using automated traffic counters;
- Distributing reports, bulletins, fliers, and newsletters, and maintaining the Council's Web page.

In the current federal fiscal year (October 2000 – September 2001), the Rutland Region Transportation Council is continuing many of these efforts. It is also undertaking other initiatives, such as promoting awareness of new state "curb cut" or access management guidelines.

Meetings of the Rutland Region Transportation Council are held once each month, normally on the fourth Thursday, in Rutland. All those with an interest in transportation and related issues are invited to attend. Questions about the Transportation Council may be directed to the following individuals: Mark Germanowski, Regional Transportation Planner (775-0871) or Richard Baker, Chairman (247-6366).



SOUTHWESTERN VERMONT COUNCIL ON AGING
Report to the Citizens of West Rutland

The following report provides information about the many ways the Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging helped older persons in West Rutland over the past year. Services and supports included:

Senior Meals: The Council provided major funding support for meals served to elder residents of West Rutland. This funding helped supply, through contract, 3,142 meals that were prepared and delivered to the homes of 25 older persons in your community who were homebound and needed help with meals. This service is often called "Meals on Wheels". We also provided "Blizzard Bags" to Meals on Wheels participants and other isolated elders in your community. These bags contained two "shelf-stable" meals to be used in a weather related or other emergency situation. In addition, 25 elders participated at one or more of the luncheon sites available in our region.

Case Management Assistance: 51 West Rutland elders were served by agency Case Management staff who provided assistance with applications, recertifications and problem solving related to programs such as Fuel Assistance, SSI, Medicaid, Medicaid Waiver, Food Stamps, etc. Our Case Managers also provided individualized assistance to vulnerable elders who were facing long term care placement, helping those who wished to remain independent connect with available services and supports.

Other Service Support: The Council also provided assistance to West Rutland elders through our: 1) "Senior HelpLine", providing access to helpful information and assistance by phone at either 786-5991 or 1-800-642-5119. This service helped elders, family members and others to learn about and connect with the different services and programs available to older persons; 2) Health benefit counseling and health insurance form filing assistance and information through our HICA Program; 3) Legal service support through a contract with the Senior Law Project; 4) Information about elder issues through the "Elder Connection" column appearing weekly in the Rutland Herald, written by Barbara Hanson; 5) Community Development assistance through the agency's Community Development Program which worked with elders and others to help identify elder needs and explore possible solutions; 6) Transportation assistance in conjunction with Marble Valley Regional Transit and the One-2-One Program; 7) Senior Companion Program which provided caring support to frail elders.

**RUTLAND COUNTY
SOLID WASTE DISTRICT**

OFFICES OF:
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
DISTRICT MANAGER
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RUTLAND COUNTY MRF
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ANNUAL REPORT - CALENDAR YEAR 1999

The Rutland County Solid Waste District offers a variety of solid waste, recycling, waste education, household hazardous waste, composting and administrative support programs for our sixteen member municipalities. Some services are also available to non-District communities on a fee-for-service basis.

Waste Disposal: During 1999, residents and businesses in our member municipalities disposed of 33,315 tons of municipal solid waste, nearly all of it through the District's master disposal contract with Casella Waste Management. For most of the year, the cost of disposal, handling and transportation from the District Transfer Station at Gleason Road to the landfill was \$65.28 per ton. State, local and district taxes totaled \$20.97, for a final disposal cost of \$86.25 per ton.

Recycling: The District owns a Material Recovery Facility (MRF), or recycling center, off West Street in Rutland City. The MRF accepts seventeen recyclable commodities for processing and sale for re-use. Commodities include fibers such as cardboard, newspaper and office paper; three colors of glass; plastics such as milk jugs and laundry detergent bottles (#2 HDPE), soda bottles (#1 PETE), plus tin and aluminum cans. In 1999, 11,266 tons of recyclables were processed at the MRF.

Household Hazardous Waste: Rutland County Solid Waste District operates an extensive Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) program for district residents. Between April 1 and October 31 the program reaches out to more than twenty area communities for on-site collections. Collections take place at town transfer stations on up to three Saturdays through the season. In addition, the District operates a permanent HHW depot at Gleason Road in Rutland, open April through October on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Not including used motor oil, tires and asbestos, which the District also accepts at Gleason Road, the HHW program collected 13,005 gallons of everything from anti-freeze to pesticides in 1999. To encourage proper disposal of these items, there is no charge to District residents for HHW services. District waste surcharge fees paid for personnel, equipment and most of the \$33,871 disposal cost.

Other Programs: The District also offers other waste management and reduction programs, including construction and demolition waste, yard waste, clean wood, food waste and concrete and asphalt "earth materials" recycling. The District's food waste program is operated in cooperation with the Rutland County Natural Resource Conservation District. In 1999 this program diverted 626,886 pounds of compostable food waste from the landfill. The waste materials are mixed with other organic wastes and composted for use as fertilizer. Customers include supermarkets, greenhouses, restaurants and produce distributors.

Financial Issues: Near the end of the year, the District Board of Supervisors began to address the District's apparent inability to outgrow losses associated with the start-up of the MRF. Staff reductions begun in late 1999 have continued in 2000, in addition to program and equipment cuts. This downsizing is designed to make possible the gradual elimination of excess debt without requiring a tax increase.

Jeff Wennberg, District Manager

Association for Retarded Citizens - Rutland Area

Advocacy/Resources/Support for Citizens with mental disabilities and their families

A United Way member agency

2000 ANNUAL REPORT

The mission of the Association for Retarded Citizens is to advocate, nurture and support the right of each individual with developmental disabilities to be valued with the same entitlements as a non-disabled individual, including the right to lifelong opportunities for personal growth and full participation in the community.

In 2000, we were representative payee for 42 clients referred to us by Social Security and the local mental health center. We assisted these clients in managing within their budget limitations, quite an accomplishment for people living on the limited resources of SS and SSI. We were involved in every operation from payment of bills, rent etc. to dispensing personal expense monies on a weekly basis. We negotiated and mediated between landlords, service providers, legal entities, law enforcement and businesses in cases where a client was unable to resolve an issue independently. The man hours involved in managing one's case averages from several hours monthly to 3-4 hours weekly, dependent on need. As well, we assisted 11 individuals/families in filling out annual accounting forms for probate court.

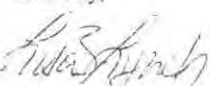
Five (5) dances were provided - Valentines, Spring Fling, Summer, Halloween, and our annual Christmas Dinner - plus a Summer Picnic and over the year these events were attended by 173 people with developmental disabilities along with their friends and families. There are also ongoing weekly events such as the art class and the music & movement class. In the Spring we held a workshop that was attended by 17 people and their support to learn from David and Fay Wetherow about community inclusion. The key piece of information that everyone can use is connecting people with like interests within the community. Relationships last much longer than the services one is provided. ARC-Rutland Area joined a 5310 consortium with other service agencies and The BUS, we received a grant to provide limited transportation to people who are 65 years of age or have a disability. As for the support group that was started last year, it is now meeting with the Common Bond support group, ARC still supplies information and support to the group.

ARC-Rutland Area also supports the local Self-Advocacy group for people with developmental disabilities by doing the minutes for the group, help with facilitating the meeting, and prepares the chair person for their responsibilities. The Self-Advocates have continued with a series of videos on Rutland Region Community TV with our support and to date have made eight shows. Many of their community peers are getting to know them better through this service and they are gaining valuable public speaking skills.

Our Executive Director is a guest member of the State Standing Committee, is a member on the Rutland Regional Board of Family Services community board, which is an agency that collects and disseminates information and encourages collaboration within the Service Providers in Rutland County and will also start attending the Local Standing Committee as a guest. These connections help ARC-Rutland Area stay on top of the services being provided to people with developmental disabilities and gives us an outlet to advocate for services that are not being offered, on both state and local levels.

On behalf of the Board Members, friends, and families; we are grateful for the support and continued assistance from the citizens of Rutland City. We receive neither state nor federal funding, and our main sources of income continue to be United Way, Rutland City and other towns such as West Rutland. In 2000, 13 residents of West Rutland took advantage of all the services we offer. Our 2001 request for funding from West Rutland is again \$300.

Sincerely,



Lisa S. Lynch
Executive Director



VERMONT ADULT LEARNING

1 Scale Avenue / Suite 93 / Rutland / Vermont 05701 / 802-775-0617 / Fax: 802-773-0323

Vermont Adult Learning works with adults age 16 and over who are not in school and want to finish secondary school, improve their skills, or prepare for college or a career. We provide instruction in reading, writing, math, English for speakers of other languages, as well as commutation, problem solving, decision making, interpersonal and lifelong learning skills. VAL also helps adults prepare for the CDL, U.S. citizenship, or GED exam or the Adult Diploma Program.

Classes and tutoring are offered at our learning center in Rutland, in various community sites, and in students' homes and workplaces.

Vermont Adult Learning collaborates with 7 supervisory unions, Rutland County Head Start, Rutland County Parent Child Center, and the Vermont Center for the Book to provide family literacy services.

With the recent trend toward reform of the welfare system, we have also collaborated with PATH (formerly known as Department of Social Welfare), Employment and Training and the Stafford Technical Center to combine our services. In partnership with those agencies, we are designing and delivering intensive and comprehensive services to help adults move into paid employment that will enable them to support their families.

Last Year Vermont Adult Learning served 22 adult residents of West Rutland provided 265.25 hours of instruction. The students' achievements included:

- * 4 students passed the GED test
- * 1 student learned to speak English
- * 3 students helped their children to learn
- * 1 student became involved community services
- * 1 student gained work-related skills
- * 4 students contributed to the student newspaper

We appreciate your support.

Bridget J. Martin, Regional Manager

providing adult education and life skills programs statewide

CENTRAL OFFICE: P.O. Box 159 / East Montpelier / Vermont 05651 / 802-229-5221 / Fax: 802-229-5238



RETIRED AND SENIOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

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REQUEST FOR TOWN FUNDING TOWN OF: WEST RUTLAND AMOUNT REQUESTED: \$400.00

The Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) is a nationwide program for people 55 and older who want to meet community needs through meaningful use of their skills, talents, interests and knowledge in volunteer service to non-profit organizations. Needs are met in critical areas such as human service, health, state and local government, education, literacy, and the arts, just to name a few. RSVP involves seniors in service that matches their personal interests and makes use of their lifelong experiences. Through such efforts, RSVP is meeting the needs that strained local budgets cannot afford. RSVP enables seniors to contribute to their communities and feel good about themselves through the rewarding experience of volunteering. Additionally, over the past 2 years RSVP has implemented new programming to address pressing community needs. These programs include an America Reads program aimed at enhancing literacy among elementary school children and an Osteoporosis Exercise Program which provides free exercise classes with RSVP volunteer instructors to Rutland County residents.

Locally, RSVP is the largest program of coordinated volunteer services serving the people of Rutland County with 618 volunteers. From July 1, 1999 through June 30, 2000, volunteers in Rutland County provided 48,000 hours of community service. The cost benefit to the communities of Rutland County in terms of cost of services provided equals \$615,000.

Once again this year RSVP is not asking for additional monies from the Town of West Rutland. The monies we are requesting this year will be used to help defray costs of providing volunteer placements, support, insurance, transportation, and recognition. RSVP continues to strive to provide needed and supplemental services that enhance the quality of life for citizens of all ages throughout Rutland County.

Currently in West Rutland, 16 volunteers donate their services to the following non-profit organizations: Rutland Regional Medical Center, BROCC, Headstart, Community Cupboard, West Rutland Elementary and High Schools, Pleasant Manor Nursing Home, Godnick Senior Center, Eden Park Nursing Home, National Council of Senior Citizens, Dismas House, Rutland Partnership, Genesis Elder Care, Rutland Senior Chorus, Southwest Vermont Council on Aging, College of Saint Joseph, Rutland Town Elementary School, Rutland Area Visiting Nurses Association and Hospice, Rutland Intermediate School, Northwest and Northeast Elementary Schools, Crossroads Arts Council, Muscular Dystrophy Association, United Way of Rutland County, Mountain View, Rutland Economic Development.

The volunteer services they provide include: knitting and sewing clothes for children, tutoring and mentoring in area schools, mailings, entertaining in the area nursing homes and schools, teaching and performing arts and crafts, greeting people at RRMC and providing information at the front desk, clerical assistance, delivering and preparing meals, cooking assistance, friendly visitation, library aides.

On behalf of RSVP, I would like to thank the residents of West Rutland for their support in the continuation of the RSVP program. As financial constraints effect more and more non-profit organizations, the need for volunteers increases. With your help, RSVP will continue to respond to this need.

Sincerely,

Nan M. Hart, Director
October 1, 2000

Sponsored by Rutland Mental Health Services, Inc.
- A UNITED WAY AGENCY -



REGIONAL AMBULANCE SERVICE, INC.

275 Stratton Road
Rutland, VT 05701

17th ANNUAL REPORT

Business: 802-773-1746
Emergency: 802-773-1700
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(Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2000)
17 Years of Service 1983 - 2000

To the Honorable Citizens of the Town of West Rutland, VT:

We are pleased to present our 17th annual report to the Citizens we serve. Regional Ambulance Service, Inc. has continually provided emergency and non-emergency ambulance service for seventeen years. From 1983 to the end of this year Regional has responded to 70,912 ambulance calls. This past year, ending June 30, 2000, the service responded to a total of 5,664 ambulance calls in our 12 communities and an additional 1,295 paramedic intercept calls.

With the continued support of the citizens, our employees, and community governing bodies, we have been able to level fund or lower our assessment rate for the past 16 years. We were very pleased to have lowered our assessment to \$4.75 per capita for the next year. The public support of our Membership program, direct donations, memorials and estate gifts has been vital to our continued success. We extend our appreciation to everyone for their support.

In keeping with our scheduled replacement goals a new 4 wheel drive ambulance was put into service to replace a vehicle with over 100,000 miles of service.

Our motto "Serving People First with Pride, Proficiency and Professionalism" is demonstrated by our employee's commitment to continuing EMS training. Each year we have special training in Critical Care Paramedicine, Advanced Cardiac Life Support, Basic Life Support, Prehospital Advanced Trauma Life Support, Pediatric Advanced Life Support, Emergency Vehicle Operator, Bloodborn Pathogen and a variety of continuing education programs. Our professional staff is extremely capable and dedicated.

Monthly C.P.R. classes are taught at Regional Ambulance. Last year, through the R.A.S. Training Center, 886 people were certified in C.P.R. Tours, lectures, demonstrations, and C.P.R. classes are available for the general public. For further information call 773-1746.

The public is encouraged to visit and talk to the employees and Administrator at our Stratton Road facility. Please feel free to contact James Finger, Administrator, or your Representative, if you have any questions concerning the service.

This report is dedicated to the loving memory of Clayton Smith for his commitment and service to the communities we serve. Clayton served as Regional Ambulance Board Member from the Town of Pittsford and Treasurer from 1984 to 2000. His leadership and dedication was recognized by all.

We are proud of our accomplishments and look forward to serving you in the future. The Board of Directors, Administration and employees of Regional Ambulance Service, Inc. will continue working to provide the highest quality of emergency ambulance care at the lowest possible cost to all of the citizens we serve.

Sincerely, Paul Kulig, President
R.A.S. Board of Directors



REGIONAL AMBULANCE SERVICE, INC.

275 Stratton Road
Rutland, VT 05701

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DESCRIPTION	ESTIMATED 2000/2001 BUDGET	PROJECTED 2001/2002 BUDGET
PAYROLL EMT	710,000	744,636
PAYROLL TAX	64,480	67,480
EMT PENSION	28,058	30,325
UNIFORMS	5,200	5,300
MEDICAL SUPPLIES	19,275	23,389
IMMUNIZATION	2,160	2,000
VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	24,206	26,337
RADIO MAINTENANCE	2,400	2,400
GAS & OIL	22,800	23,800
INSURANCE BENEFITS	109,000	125,350
LIABILITY INSURANCE	27,300	28,665
WORKMANS COMPENSATION	29,609	33,669
PAYROLL OFFICE	133,597	140,246
OFFICE SUPPLIES	7,500	7,600
EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	6,700	7,035
FUNDED DEPRECIATION	138,000	139,000
BUILDING MAINTENANCE	9,500	10,500
UTILITIES	8,000	8,000
TELEPHONE	8,200	8,200
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	7,500	7,600
POSTAGE	5,713	5,713
INTEREST & BANK CHARGES	700	700
ADVERTISING	6,300	6,400
TRAINING/TRAVEL	28,000	29,400
DUES SUBSCRIPTION	4,200	4,250
MISCELLANEOUS	2,500	2,500
MEMBERSHIP EXPENSE	6,000	6,723
TOTAL	\$1,416,898	\$1,497,218

PER CAPITA RATE \$4.75

OUR PER CAPITA RATE HAS NOT BEEN INCREASED FOR 17 YEARS

INCOME ASSESSMENT*

ALL OTHER INCOME	194,237
TOTAL BUDGET	1,302,981
	\$1,497,218

* BASED ON 40,892 POPULATION 1990 CENSUS
R.A.S. BOARD APPROVED 10/17/2000

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Town Report Information

George D. Aiken Resource Conservation and Development (RC&D) Council Available to Help You

The George D. Aiken RC&D Council is here to serve your community. We coordinate and facilitate help to town governments, school districts, fire departments and nonprofit groups in the six southern Vermont counties. We are a voluntary nonprofit citizen's group supporting natural resource conservation, community improvement and rural development. We get technical assistance and staff help through the U.S. Department of Agriculture but private sources make up most of our budget. The Council is self-supporting 501 (c)(3) nonpartisan organization.

We are available to your community upon your request. We bring together technical and financial resources focused on the specific needs that you may have. We rely on our extensive networks to bring the resources together to help you meet your needs. Highlights of our work in 2000 and initiatives that can **HELP YOU** include:

IMPROVED RURAL FIRE PROTECTION/INSURANCE COSTS

Help is available from The Vermont Rural Fire Protection Task Force and Vermont's RC&D Councils to:

- Assist with strategic Fire Protection Water Supply Plans
- Provide technical specifications, plans and funding for Dry Hydrants/pumping basins
- Become eligible for the Jeffords Fire Safety Equipment Grant Program
- Increase cost savings on the purchase of fire safety equipment through cooperative purchasing

The Vermont Rural Fire Protection Task Force is a working group of the Vermont RC&D Area Councils. They worked with the state and federal government to provide grant money to Vermont communities for the Dry Hydrant and Jeffords Fire Safety Equipment Grant Program. Our staff is available to assist your community with these programs.

Over (90) towns statewide have received one or two \$1,000 grants for dry hydrants in 2000. Since May 2000 (183) Fire Departments statewide have received Jeffords Fire Safety Equipment Grants ranging from \$700-\$4,000. We anticipate having funds available to continue these effective and popular programs for 2001.

VERMONT BETTER BACKROADS

Want to save \$ while improving fishing, swimming and water supplies? Technical and financial support is available to **HELP YOUR TOWNS DO JUST THAT!** The Better Backroads Manual, Driveway Access Policy Guidelines and our popular Pocket Guide to Better Road Maintenance are available.

This year the Vermont RC&D Area Councils' Better Backroads Small Grants Program awarded over \$62,340 to 21 Vermont towns for erosion control, inventories and capital budget planning and to demonstrate good road maintenance techniques and fix chronic problems. We hope to have continued funding for 2001. This program demonstrates cost effective practices for protecting the quality of waters in our streams, ponds and lakes, as well as helps to keep our backroads in good shape.

HELPING LOCAL CITIZENS ORGANIZE TO SUPPORT HEALTHY WATERSHEDS

A watershed is the area of land that drains into a stream or body of water. Communities and citizens in the West River, Poultney-Mettowee River, Battenkill River and White River Watersheds have all come together in order to improve the economic, social and environmental health of their watersheds. These groups are working on a grassroots level to enable **LOCAL DECISION MAKERS** to support the environment while enhancing the economic strength of the region. The George D. Aiken RC&D has helped bring local people and resources together to make a difference in these watersheds.

VERMONT AGRITOURISM INITIATIVE

The agritourism initiative is a new coordinated program for farmers in Vermont who are or who would like to diversify and develop visitor based businesses on the farm. Bed and breakfasts on a working farm, vegetable/fruit stands, farm tours, sleigh rides and corn mazes are all examples of agritourism. Through a \$700,000 USDA Rural Development grant program, we can offer low interest loans and free technical assistance for marketing and project development to interested farmers in your community. Give us a call if you would like more information on this exciting new program.

Assistance is available on a request basis for your communities needs. If you are looking for assistance in the natural resource conservation or economic development area, we may be able to help. Over the years the George D. Aiken RC&D Council has helped many communities and organization on a variety of projects. We work on a request basis. For information and free consultation call Kenneth Hafner our Executive Director at (802) 728-9526 or email: kenneth.hafner@vt.usda.gov.

VERMONT DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH 1999 NEWS FROM THE RUTLAND DISTRICT OFFICE FOR TOWN OF WEST RUTLAND

Here are some highlights of public health initiatives under way in your community. If you would like to learn more about these or other efforts, or if you have a health concern, please call the Health Department Rutland District Office at 786-5811 or toll free 1-888-253-8802.

- **Child Safety Seats:** Motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of childhood death from injury in Vermont. Proper installation and use of child safety seats for younger children is critically important. Working with the governor's Highway Safety Program, Health Department staff help educate families in safe and proper car seat use and provides new seats to families who cannot afford them. Through the "Kids in Safety Seats" Program, over 200 families were trained and 79 seats distributed in the Rutland District Office service area during 1999.
- **Lead Screening:** Approximately 61% of all the housing in Vermont was built before 1978 and is likely to contain some amount of lead paint. This can be a serious health hazard for young children, putting developing bodies at risk for learning disabilities, behavior problems and more serious health effects. The Health Department and health care professionals work together to make sure all children are screened for lead poisoning at the recommended times. In 1999, 857 children were screened for lead in Rutland County: 76 were found to have elevated levels.
- **WIC:** The Special Supplemental Food & Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children provides food packages to assure a steady supply of nutritious food during developmental years. During 1999, 3237 women, infants and young children living in Rutland County received health and nutrition screening and education as well as nutritious foods through this program.
- **Reportable Diseases:** The Health Department is responsible for investigating all cases of communicable diseases like hepatitis, measles or food poisoning. When these illnesses occur, our job is to determine the cause and recommend measures that will control and prevent further spread of disease. In 1999, the department investigated 205 cases of disease in Rutland County.



POULTNEY - METTOWEE WATERSHED PARTNERSHIP

Poultney-Mettowee Natural Resources Conservation District
PO Box 209, Poultney, VT 05764
(802) 287-5841 fax (802) 287-5841

Washington County Soil and Water Conservation District
2530 State Rt. 40, Greenwich, NY 12834
(518) 692-2927 fax (518) 692-9942

As we look back over the first full year of accomplishments as a Watershed Partnership we are truly motivated and excited by the tremendous conservation work that is taking place in our watershed. We encourage you to become informed about the Partnership and work with us to improve the quality of the watershed and the communities in which we live. Please support our request for financial assistance from your town's general fund. Together we can really make a difference.

The Poultney Mettowie watershed is the entire land area that drains into either the Poultney or the Mettowie River.

Our History

The Partnership began in summer 1998 with a few people talking together and realizing that their organizations were working towards many of the same conservation goals. Our two conservation districts in Vermont and New York, together with the Rutland Regional Commission and the Washington County Planning Department, hosted a series of public forums in fall 1998. With funding from Lake Champlain Basin Program, we hired a watershed coordination firm, Poultney-based Ghostwriters Communications, in fall 1999, and began determining what kind of work was going on, the concerns in the watershed area, and what needed to be done next. As a result of the forums and ideas discussed among the watershed partners, a steering committee was formed in winter 1999, and the group created a mission statement and objectives for the Partnership. The time and advice of the members of the committee is invaluable and we sincerely thank them. Based on their knowledge, we increased public awareness and have begun to find solutions to issues and concerns.

Our Future

Some projects currently underway, or still in the planning stages, include:

- Gravel road run-off management through local highway crew training opportunities and the construction of ditch-line settling basins with VT Better Backroads Program and Cornell Cooperative Extension assistance.
- A wetland and riparian habitat assessment of the Poultney River with The Nature Conservancy and Green Mountain College funded by the EPA.
- A thermal pollution/temperature monitoring and modeling project on the Mettowie River with the New York and Vermont Departments of Environmental Conservation and Vermont Fish and Wildlife Department.
- Assessment of public attitudes toward water pollution assisted by University of VT Extension - Sea Grant, Syracuse University, and Green Mountain College, and funded by VT Community Fund.
- Streambank restoration and stabilization supported by National Fish and Wildlife Foundation and Lake Champlain Basin Program.

The Partnership brings together the outstanding conservation work in the Poultney and Mettowie rivers, so that we can benefit from each others' experiences and knowledge, and together be stronger in our common goal.

Get Involved

Contact either of us, or the project coordinators (phone 802 287 4284), to request a copy of our annual report of accomplishments. Or visit our website: www.together.net/~pmnrtd. Let us know what concerns you have, what problems you see, and what help you would like to address them. We look forward to hearing from you, and working with you in the future.

Marli Rupe

Poultney-Mettowee Natural Resources Conservation District

Joe Driscoll

Washington County Soil & Water Conservation District

**Rutland County Women's Network and Shelter
Annual Report 2000**

The Rutland County Women's Network and Shelter is a non-profit agency working within Rutland county to provide safety and support services to victims of domestic and sexual violence. We have been in Rutland County for over 21 years serving men, women and children who live in danger.

Our services include counseling, group work, help with relocation, a 24 hour crisis line for both domestic violence and rape, and many other services that help to keep a family safe.

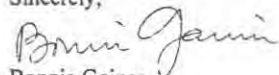
This year has been a very busy year at the shelter. We housed 77 families with 94 children. In addition to sheltering, we provided services to over 3000 people. Because we are able to provide more and better services and legal assistance, fewer families are finding it necessary to utilize the housing at the shelter. This is a very positive outcome due to years of improving our services and advocating for better legal protection for victims.

The families, staff, and volunteers of the shelter wish to thank the people of West Rutland for their support through revenue sharing funds. Because of the consistent support of our county towns, we are able to continue to provide effective programs and services to survivors and their families.

REQUEST

The Rutland County Women's Network and Shelter is requesting the sum of \$500 which will be voted on in March at the town meeting of 2001, for assistance in supporting the shelter. We are very grateful for the help that the people of West Rutland have given us in the past. We provided services for 26 residents of West Rutland this year.

Sincerely,



Bonnie Gainer
Director

**TOWN OF WEST RUTLAND, VERMONT
WARNING**

The legal voters of the Town of West Rutland, Vermont are hereby warned and notified to meet at the multi-purpose room of the West Rutland High School on Monday, March 6th, 2000 at 7:00 PM for an informational hearing and to act on Articles 1, 2 & 3. And to meet on Tuesday, March 7th, 2000 at 10:00 AM at the American Legion Hall, 817 Pleasant Street, to vote by Australian Ballot on Articles 4-20. Polls to close at 7:00 PM.

- Article #1 To act on the reports of the Town Officers as submitted by the Town Auditors.
- Article #2 To discuss the proposed Selectboard's Budget for the expenses of the Town and Town Highway Department.
- Article #3 To transact any other legal and proper business, not involving Town funds or any other articles on this warning.

THE FOLLOWING ARTICLES TO BE VOTED ON BY AUSTRALIAN BALLOT

- Article #4 To elect by Australian Ballot all necessary Town Officers; Town Moderator, (1) Selectperson 3 Years, (2) Selectpersons 1 Year, (2) Listers, Grand Juror and Town Law Agent.
- Article #5 Shall the Town vote to approve the Selectboard's Budget for Fiscal Year 2001 covering July 1, 2000 to June 30, 2001 in the amount of \$ 655,836 to be raised by taxes? Yes 417 No 193
- Article #6 Shall the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$65,000.00 for paving and sidewalk improvements? Yes 493 No 107
- Article #7 Shall the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$5,000 to West Rutland Development Corporation, Inc. for marketing and permitting of the Industrial Park? Yes 408 No 200
- Article #8 Shall the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$1,500.00 for the support of the programs of the Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging? Yes 495 No 117
- Article #9 Shall the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$400.00 to support the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP)? Yes 525 No 89
- Article #10 Shall the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$4800.00 to support the Rutland Area Visiting Nurse Association and Hospice in Fiscal Year 2001? (\$300 to support Rutland Area Hospice and \$4500 to support RAVNAH Home & Community Health Services) Yes 514 No 98

TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Town Manager	438-2263
Fax	438-5133
Town Treasurer	438-2263
Town Clerk	438-2204
Listers	438-2263
Zoning	438-2204
Town Garage	438-2854
Library	438-2964
Wastewater Treatment Plant	438-5633
Water Dept.	438-2113
School	438-2288
Recreation Area/Skating Rink	438-2406
FIRE	911 or 775-0001
POLICE	438-6114
STATE POLICE	773-9101
AMBULANCE	773-1700
Rutland West Neighborhood Housing Service, Inc.	438-2303

- Article #11 Shall the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$11,628.00 (\$ 4.75 per capita) to maintain the services of the Rutland Regional Ambulance?
Yes 521 No 89
- Article #12 Shall the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$3,304 for the support of Rutland Area Community Services (formerly Rutland Mental Health Services, Inc.) so that these services can be maintained? Yes 410 No 204
- Article #13 Shall the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$500 to the Rutland Economic Development Corporation (REDC) for the purposes of development promotion? Yes 383 No 224
- Article #14 Shall the town of West Rutland appropriate the sum of \$1,200 to Rutland County Adult Basic Education for providing direct educational services to adults to include teaching materials? Yes 351 No 252
- Article #15 Shall the Town appropriate \$5,000 for the purpose of capital improvements for recreation? Yes 379 No 230
- Article #16 Shall the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$1,250.00 to support the programs and services of BROO (Bennington-Rutland Opportunity Council) in 2000? Yes 342 No 261
- Article #17 Shall the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$300 to support the Association for Retarded Citizens- Rutland Area in 2000? Yes 467 No 140
- Article #18 Do you support same sex marriages?
This is a non-binding resolution article.
Yes 76 No 534
- Article #19 Do you support creation of domestic partnership law by the Vermont Legislature which would allow same sex couples the same basic benefits as married heterosexual couples?
This is a non-binding resolution article.
Yes 112 No 493
- Article #20 Do you support a Constitutional Amendment change to redefine marriage as "the union of one man, one woman?"
This is a non-binding resolution article.
Yes 414 No 190

January 24, 2000

SELECTBOARD

Fred Washburn
Fred Washburn, Chairperson

Frank Tyminski
Frank Tyminski

Tom Ascoli
Tom Ascoli

Ed Gilman

Peter Bianchi
Peter Bianchi

March 7, 2000 Election Results

Checklist	1509
Absentee Ballots	36
Town Officers:	
Moderator 1 year Robert Jablonski	565
Selectperson 1 year Edward Gilman	530
Selectpersons 2 years: Pick 2	
Peter Bianchi	469
Fred Washburn	466
Lister 3 years William Kelly	507
Lister 1 year Jonathan Wallace	473
Grand Juror Richard Candlish	498
Town Law Agent Robert Geryk (Writing)	47

Election results received for record this 9th day of March 2000 at 9:00 AM.

Attest:

Gary P. Rath
Town Clerk

WEST RUTLAND TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE
RECEIVED FOR RECORD

25th day of Jan. AD. 2000

At 9 O'Clock 00 Minutes A M

And Recorded in Town Meeting & Misc.

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Attest: *Gary P. Rath* Town Clerk

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